Pinoys irate over Singapore TV news

STORY ON PAGE A2

e-mail: feedback@inquirer.com.ph
website: www.inq7.net

PHILIPPINE DAILY
INQUIRER
BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2001 ★ 84 PAGES 8 SECTIONS VOL.16 NO. 187 ₱15

MAY PAGASA NA AKONG PUMAYAT!

No more hunger pangs; here's how

By N. Bordadora

YOU think you've tried everything to lose weight?

Bet you haven't tried surgically

NO/ A6

2 PDI writers bag top journalism award

TWO contributors of the Philippine Daily Inquirer yesterday won the grand prize of the "Gawad Kalinangan" Journalism Awards of the Rotary Club of Manila.

The two writers—Rolando Borrinaga and Tax Rosaldo of Tacloban City—won a P50,000 cash prize and a trophy shaped like the nib of a pen for their article, "The Saintly Priest of

2 PDI/ A17

2 hostages released for ₱10 million

Sobero beheading still unconfirmed

Alex M. Young and Julie Alipala-Inot
PDI Mindanao Bureau

ZAMBOANGA CITY—A total ransom of P10 million was paid for the release yesterday of two female hostages of the Abu Sayyaf, a military official in Basilan said yesterday.

The hostages, Letty Jao and Lalaine Chua, were released through the negotiation of a physician of the Philippine National Red Cross, said the official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

He said the P10 million was paid to the Abu Sayyaf in Lantawan town three days ago.

"Maybe the pursuit operation hampered the release. (The payment should not have been made as) it might allow these bandits to purchase new firearms. The negotiation (should have been enough)," the official said.

The families of Chua and Jao allegedly gave P5 million each as ransom. The official identified the physician as Huda Lim.

Chua and Jao are among the 17 Filipinos and three Americans abducted by the Abu Sayyaf from the Dos Palmas resort in Palawan on May 27.

Of the 20, the bandits have killed two, and nine have supposedly escaped.

The bandits seized four staff members of a hospital in Lamitan, Basilan, on June 2, and 15 workers of the Golden Harvest plantation in Lantawan town on Monday

Brig. Gen. Romeo Dominguez, commander of Joint Task Force Comet, said that according to President Macapagal-Arroyo's directive, military operations against the Abu Sayyaf would continue even if negotiations for the hostages' "unconditional release" were ongoing.

"This negotiation is another aspect of

2 HOSTAGES/ A20

Agui murder compels gov't to pull out of peace talks

By Juliet Javellana and Carlito Pablo

THE MACAPAGAL administration yesterday declared "an indefinite recess "of the peace talks with the communist National Democratic Front (NDF) in Oslo, Norway, and pulled out its negotiators to protest the killing of Cagayan Rep. Rodolfo Aguinaldo.

Government negotiators condemned the crime, saying they were outraged by the celebratory statements of the NDF chief negotiator, Luis Jalandoni.

But yesterday, Jalandoni formally requested President Macapagal-Arroyo for her negotiators not to walk out as the peace process was "far more important" than Aguinaldo's life.

In statements to the media, Jalandoni had applauded the murder of Aguinaldo and congratulated his murderers.

Jose Ma. Sison, founding chair of the Communist Party of the Philippines and consultant to the NDF peace panel, also said the killing was "just punishment . . . for his (Aguinaldo's) blood debts."

The CPP's armed wing, the New People's Army (NPA), had admitted the killings of Aguinaldo and his aide in Tuguegarao City in Cagayan on Tuesday night.

AGUI/ A20

SO LONG, JEEP NI ERAP

JOAN BONDOC

Make way for "Ate Glo" in a pedicab visiting the slums of Navotas where she starts the de-clogging of esteros, hands out scholarships and other assistance to squatter families and assures the mega-flood control project.

Abu Sayyaf offers ₱50,000 monthly pay to recruits

By Alexander M. Young
PDI Mindanao Bureau
and Carlito Pablo

PURSUED by about 5,000 soldiers, the Abu Sayyaf is offering a high-powered rifle to a new recruit and P50,000 in monthly pay to beef up its forces on Basilan Island.

The military is doing a recruitment of its own. It is providing rifles to civilian volunteers and satellite phones to mayors of the province's seven towns.

The mobile and cash-rich band of about 460 bandits is staying a step ahead of its military pursuers on the island with 29 captives in tow, including a prize catch of up to three Americans.

"They are recruiting continuously," Joel Maturan, the mayor of the Basilan town of Tipo-Tipo, said over dzMM radio.

"Too many people are out of work. All it takes is a one-time payment of P30,000 to the mother or wife," he said.

"Money is a good motivator in these parts," agreed Lantawan Mayor Tahira Ismael, who said the gunmen typically gain "one or two" new followers at every stop.

The recruits are usually aged 15-20, the two officials said.

Basilan Gov. Wahab Akbar confirmed the bandit group was conducting a mass recruitment, offering prospective members as much as P50,000 in monthly pay.

"They want to strengthen their forces to fight the military," he said.

Akbar said the Abu Sayyaf was going house to house in the municipalities of Lamitan, Tipo-Tipo and Tuburan.

"They are inviting the male members of the family, offering P30,000 to P50,000 and immediately issuing them high-caliber firearms," he said.

The pay would be taken from the ransom the bandits expect to get from freed hostages, according to Akbar.

The military and police have started arming civilians in Basilan to help the government fight the Abu Sayyaf.

ABU/ A20

Abus eyed in hijacking of vessel

By Martin P. Marfil and Carlito Pablo

ARMED men seized a Malaysian barge off the Sabah port of Sandakan and took it across the border to the Philippines on the day President Macapagal-Arroyo said her administration no longer needed Malaysian assistance for the release of 29 American and Filipino hostages held by the Abu Sayyaf.

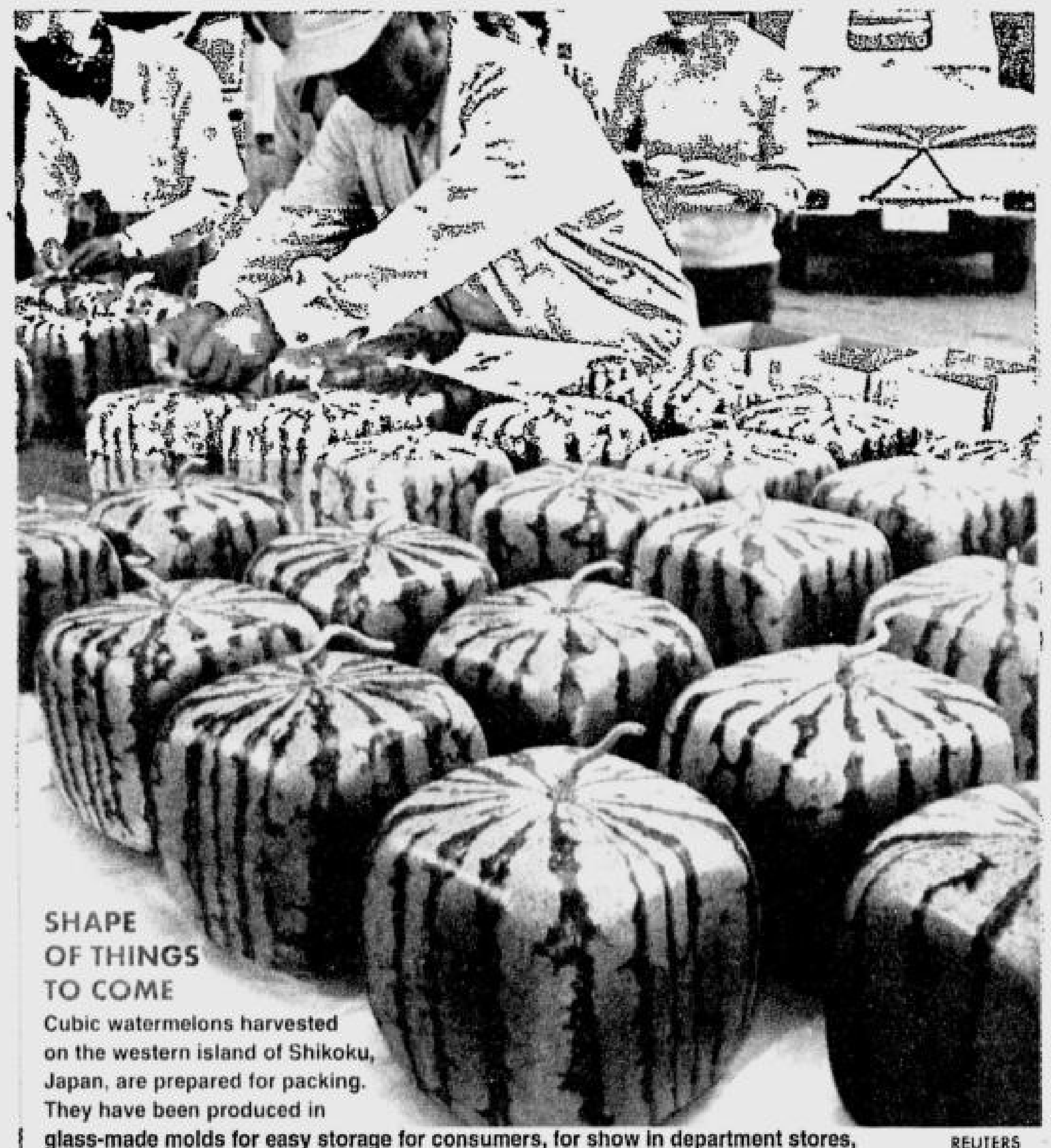
The Malaysian Coast Guard and Malacañang said the hijacking of the vessel on Wednesday was a simple case of piracy, but others maintained that the perpetrators were likely Abu Sayyaf bandits.

Reports in Malaysia said four fishing boats were hijacked and taken to Philippine waters. Three were released after a ransom was paid.

The remaining vessel was found abandoned in the Turtle Island group just north of the sea border. The island group is a common marine reserve of the Philippines and Malaysia in the Celebes Sea.

Brig. Gen. Edilberto Adan, spokesperson of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, confirmed that the vessel was brought to the Philippines, particularly the Tawi-Tawi

ABUS/ A4



SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

Cubic watermelons harvested on the western island of Shikoku, Japan, are prepared for packing. They have been produced in glass-made molds for easy storage for consumers, for show in department stores, or just to show up nature. They will be sold for 10,000 yen ($82) each.

REUTERS

Wife says Sobero ran off with girlfriend to RP

LOS ANGELES—Unbeknownst to his estranged wife, American hostage Guillermo Sobero apparently traveled to the Philippines secretly with a girlfriend last month.

The father of four disappeared May 23 from his home in suburban Corona, claiming he was headed to a 40th birthday party at a lakeside resort on the California-Arizona border, Corona Police Sgt. Brent Coleman said Wednesday.

This was what Sobero's estranged wife Fanny told police when she filed a missing-person report on him on May 27, Coleman said, adding that Sobero was then likely on a secret vacation in the Philippines with a girlfriend.

In her report, Fanny said she suspected that Sobero had not gone to Arizona because she was getting calls from reporters telling her he had been kidnapped in the Philippines, where he had made a previous trip, Coleman said.

He said the calls prompted her to file the report.

The bandit group Abu Sayyaf, which is holding Sobero along with two other US citizens and an estimated 25 Filipinos, said Tuesday it had executed and beheaded him.

Two headless bodies were subsequently found but officials identified both as those

WIFE/ A6

Palace: Hospital best for Erap

By Martin P. Marfil and Volt Contreras

PRESIDENT Macapagal-Arroyo is opposed to a court order to move her ousted predecessor, Joseph Estrada, from a hospital to his detention center in Laguna because he could die there, Malacañang said yesterday.

Presidential spokesperson Rigoberto Tiglao told reporters the government could be "putting Mr. Estrada's life in danger" by complying with the order to return him to his specially built prison bungalow in Fort Sto. Domingo in Sta. Rosa.

Ms Macapagal would prefer that the ex-President and his son, outgoing San Juan Mayor Jinggoy Estrada, remain in detention at the Veterans Memorial Medical Center, subject to the recommendation of the Philippine National Police chief, Tiglao said in a press briefing.

"Right now, that is the preference, but that would be up to the recommendation of (PNP chief Director General Leandro Mendoza) because it's a matter of security," he said.

"One point that the PNP chief has been raising is, what happens if there is a medical emergency in the evening for instance,

PALACE/ A20

SOBRA NAMAN!

Pinoys irate over Singapore TV news

SINGAPORE—Filipinos are outraged over a Singapore TV news report which said it was "good news" that neither of two headless bodies found in the Philippines was that of an American.

Diplomats at the Philippine Embassy in Singapore were "having a closed-door meeting" Thursday about how to respond, said Edwin de Pacina, assistant to the head of the embassy's political and economic section.

The report by Singapore's Straits Times TV was about two bodies found in Basilan, near an area where Abu Sayyaf are holding Filipino and American hostages.

In the report, news anchor Michelle Quah said that "the good news is that neither (body) belonged to American hostage Guillermo Sobero."

Gigi Tan, a Filipino marketing manager living in Singapore, said she was "really outraged" by the report.

"The reporter should have just stuck to the facts," Tan said.

"Nobody has the right to judge who should live or not."

Filipinos living in Singapore began calling the station to complain after the broadcast aired late Wednesday, Straits Times TV news editor Jennifer Lewis said.

"We apologized to them, because it was an insensitive remark," Lewis said.

Sobero, of Corona, Calif., was among more than two dozen hostages captured in raids over the past two and a half weeks and held by Abu Sayyaf.

Abu Sayyaf claimed it executed Sobero, one of three American hostages held by the group, on Tuesday. The Philippine military said it is unable to verify the claim and that Sobero may still be alive. Lewis said the wording of the Singapore TV report Wednesday was "a stupid mistake."

"We regret that the error was made. It was not intentional at all," Lewis said.

The station would "handle the matter internally" and was not planning to issue a formal apology, she said.

About 110,000 Filipinos live in Singapore, a wealthy city-state of 4 million people, most of them ethnic Chinese. About 100,000 of the Filipinos living in Singapore work as maids.

Tempers flared between Singapore and the Philippines in 1995 when Singapore authorities hanged Filipino maid Flor Contemplacion for murder despite appeals from the Philippine government.

Anti-Singapore protests broke out in the Philippines, and the two countries temporarily withdrew their respective ambassadors. Relations were normalized in 1996.

Straits Times TV, owned by Singapore's government-linked media firm Singapore Press Holdings or SPH, started broadcasting last month.

SPH is best known as the publisher of The Straits Times newspaper, Singapore's main English-language daily. *AP*

Police chief raises doubts on Singaporean's kidnap

By N. Flores

POLICE yesterday admitted that they are encountering difficulties in the investigation of the reported kidnapping of a Singaporean businessman because the victim and other key witnesses have refused to cooperate.

At the same time, Supt. Rolando Navarro, Muntinlupa police chief; raised doubts on the claim of Singaporean businessman Roger C.M. Yeo that he was kidnapped on June 1 and held for eight days until he paid $660,000 ransom for his release.

The case, he said, remains a mystery to his men because people who might know something about the kidnapping refused to cooperate with investigators.

Yeo and his wife immediately returned to Singapore after his release.

Still, Navarro said his men are pressing the investigation of the case even without the cooperation of the witnesses.

He said investigators have found out that Yeo was losing money in his business.

"No other details are available except for the claims that he was abducted and held against his will somewhere in the northern portion of Metro Manila," Navarro said.

Navarro said the whole incident looked like a "classic case of self-abduction" to extricate himself from financial difficulties. However, he said this was just one of the angles investigators are pursuing. He said his men would do everything to get to the bottom of Yeo's abduction.

NOW in the PHILIPPINES!

Mr McKenic
MAINTENANCE OIL
(9 in 1)

- INSTANT PENETRATION
- DISPLACES WATER
- NON-FLAMMABLE
- KILLS SMALL FIRE
- LUBRICATES
- REMOVES RUST
- PROTECTS AGAINST CORROSION
- DEMOISTURIZES
- RELEASES RUSTED PARTS

EVERY HOUSEHOLD MUST HAVE ONE
Suggested retail price
P 129.75
for Metro Manila only
for 250gms. canister

Exclusively Distributed in the Phils. by:
RIAN COMMERCIAL

Sales Office/Showroom
131 Timog Ave cor EDSA, Quezon City (beside GMA 7)
• Tel nos. (632) 415-2079/415-2386
• Fax no.: (632) 927-6210

Marikina Office
Marikina City
Fax no (632) 940-2118

Arasco Office
Lipa City Batangas
• Tel. nos. (043) 756-3028

EXHIBITS on going Robinson's Place Manila • Handyman (Galleria)

QUEZON CITY AREA · MAKATI CITY AREA · MANDALUYONG AREA · LAS PIÑAS AREA · MARIKINA AREA · MUNTINLUPA AREA · PARANAQUE AREA · PASAY AREA · VALENZUELA AREA · RIZAL AREA · DAVAO AREA · OLONGAPO AREA · PAMPANGA AREA · ALL BRANCHES

Also available at various dealers Nationwide.

"WE MAKE THE BEST MATTRESSES IN THE WORLD."
WE'RE NO. 1

CitiBeds®
THE LEADER™

GREAT 4 DAY SALE!
JUNE 14, 15, 16 & 17, 2001
UP TO 50% OFF!

LIMITED WARRANTY TO CONSUMERS ★ 30 NIGHT TRIAL Promises REPLACEMENT OR REFUND IF DEFECTIVE

FREE! 'BEAR HUG, BED PAD & 2 PIECES RESPONSE PILLOW
*FOR EVERY PURCHASE OF BEDFRAME AND MATTRESS.

EXPRESS DELIVERY! · Sleeprite · Ortho · Sea Giant · FORTY KARAT · Syl-flex · KING KOIL

CITIBEDS BRANCHES:
• CB SM MEGAMALL # 633-8192 / 633-8193
• CB SM CITY # 928-4258/927-4644/456-5855
• CB SOUTHMALL # 800-3756/ 800-3757
• CB SM STA. MESA#713-7202/713-7203
• CB SM BACOOR #(046) 417-1494/417-1508
• CB ALIMALL #437-9936/437-9941
• CB R. GALLERIA #636-4907/633-7641 loc. 273
• CB STA. LUCIA #681-5436
• CB N. EDSA # 3723606/3722759
• CB FAIRVIEW Center Mall # 4313119/4313124
• CB MAGALLANES #852-5495
• CB FILINVEST #850-3934
• CB TIMOG #3739698/4112022/3724443
• CB SHAW #5314601 to 06 loc. 24 & 28
• CB PACO #564-5712
• CB SFDM, QC #410-7373 to 76
• CB LAS PINAS #872-0635/873-5513
• CB WEST AVE. #371-5842/371-9128 to 31
• CB EVER GOTESCO ORTIGAS #656-2319
• CB PANGASINAN #(075)523-6120/513-2344
• CB SM CEBU #(032)232-1455/231-9043
• CB ILOILO GAISANO MALL #(033)3206807/3206602
• CB SIT N' SLEEP SHANGRI-LA PLAZA #6317708/6317684
• CB WEB PAGE: www.citibeds.com

NOTICE: ALWAYS LOOK FOR THE CITIBEDS LABEL

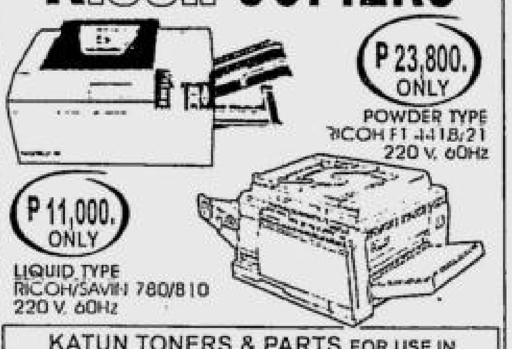
100% NEW & RECON
RICOH COPIERS

P 23,800. ONLY
POWDER TYPE
RICOH FT 4418/21
220 V. 60Hz

P 11,000. ONLY
LIQUID TYPE
RICOH/SAVIN 780/810
220 V. 60Hz

KATUN TONERS & PARTS FOR USE IN
MINOLTA, CANON, TOSHIBA
RISO, MITA, RiCOH, SHARP, ETC.

COPYTRADE®
Copytrade Bldg. 550 MF Jhocson St. Sampaloc Manila (Nr. NU)
Tels. 749-8155 to 56 • 781-3472 • 749-8216
Prov'l Dealers: Cabanatuan 463 3415 • Cebu 253 7402
• Baliuag (0919)837-1080 • Tarlac (0919)842-5550
BEWARE OF FAKE SUPPLIES AND MISREPRESENTATIONS



EXTENDED PROMO SALE!!!

Functions like PABX!

4-LINE + INTERCOM
• handles up to 4 lines
• transfers via intercom
• built-in hold music

1,500 ONLY
VERY AFFORDABLE!

The TOTAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS Specialist
EVERTEL PHILS.,CORP.
Tel. Nos. 749-5464/732-9432

Start Your Own Business in 30 Days!
Become Your Own Boss. Fulfill Your Dreams & Your Destiny!
Start and manage your own business in 2001 and create your future.
Now Available: Pinoybisnes Books for Small Business
Easy to Read Bestseller. Philippine Setting. Recommended by Many Business People.
Pinoybisnes Series #1
"A Smart and Practical Guide For New Entrepreneurs"
Pinoybisnes Series #2 ...
"Be Smart! Start & Manage Your Own Business"
Topics: How to Register, How to Avoid 'Baka Malugi' Mistakes to Avoid, Franchising Business, Choosing the Best Business, Over 850 New Business Ideas, How to Finance Your Business, How to Succeed, and many more! ATTENTION Entrepreneurship Teachers!!! These books are available at discounted prices for student use only. Call Globe/Text (0917) 454-3372. Discounts & Free Delivery for Bulk Orders (10 &up).
Will Be Out August Series #3 "BISNES STARTER PACK"
Available at: National Book Stores●Powerbooks●Alemars●RareBooks
Great Gift Idea

BRANDED & GENERIC PRODUCTS
•HIGH STANDARD QUALITY
•IN BLISTER PACK
•AT VERY REASONABLE PRICE
•DISTRIBUTED IN HOSPITALS & DRUGSTORES NATIONWIDE

STEINBACH PRODUCTS, INC.
151 San Francisco St., Mandaluyong City
Tel. Nos.: 532-5401 • 532-5413 • 532-1983
Fax. 532-5415
DEALERS / DISTRIBUTORS ARE WELCOME

It costs less to buy the best.
metabo
ELECTRIC POWER TOOLS

ANGLE GRINDER
W7-100 ONLY P3,100 750-watt • 100mm (4") disc dia. • 10,000 rpm speed
W7-125 ONLY P4,100 750-watt • 125mm (5") disc dia. • 10,000 rpm speed
W 2080 ONLY P6,800 2000-watt • 180mm (7") disc dia. • 8,500 rpm speed
• Automatic safety clutch • Marathon motor for an extra-long useful life • Auto-stop carbon brushes

IMPACT DRILL
SB 560 ONLY P3,200 560-watt • 2,800 rpm speed • cap. - concrete: 12mm; steel: 10mm; softwood: 20mm
SbE 560* ONLY P4,000 560-watt • 0-2,800 rpm speed • cap. - concrete: 12mm; steel: 10mm; softwood: 20mm
Sb 650/2 S* ONLY P5,300 560-watt • 2-speed (1,200/2,800 rpm) • cap. - concrete: 16mm; steel: 13mm/8mm; softwood: 30mm/ 20mm

ROTARY DRILL
B 10 ONLY P2,650 560-watt • 2,800 rpm speed • cap. - steel: 10mm; softwood: 20mm

ROTARY HAMMER *Comes in plastic carrying case
Bh 6009 S* ONLY P7,600 500-watt • 1,050 rpm speed • cap. - concrete: 20mm; steel: 13mm; softwood: 30mm
Bh E 6021 S-R+L ONLY P10,500 750-watt • 0-1,050 rpm speed • cap. - concrete: 24mm; steel: 13mm; softwood: 40mm

HEAT GUN
H 1600 ONLY P2,400 1600-watt • 3 air-flow rates • 3 heat levels: 50C, 350C, 550C
HE 2000 ONLY P3,550 2000-watt • 3 air-flow rates • Electronic control • Air temp. 50-600°C
• For garment printing, shrinking plastic, and stripping off old paint, repairing tents, shrink-sealing cable ends, drying fresh coats of paint, and other similar jobs

JIGSAW
ST 50 Pendix ONLY P3,400 400-watt orbital jigsaw • 4-stage adjustable orbital stroke • 3,000 rpm speed • cap. - wood: 50mm; non-ferrous metals: 10mm, sheet steel. 3mm
STEB 105 Plus ONLY 8,000 710-watt electronic orbital jigsaw • 5-stage adjustable orbital stroke • 1,000-3,000 rpm speed • cap. - wood: 105mm; non-ferrous metals 30mm sheet steel 10mm

Prices good until July 31, 2001 or until supply lasts. Available at selected specialized dealers nationwide. 6 MONTHS GUARANTEE & LIFETIME FREE SERVICE

mach tools incorporated
185 A-B Del Monte Ave., Manresa, Quezon City, Philippines E-mail: machtools@pacific.net.ph
Tels.: 363-0159 • 414-1984 • 412-6723 Fax: 361-4841 Pager: 1441-106969

MANILA: Best Achievers 733-0974 • 733-0783 New Triumph Gen. Mdsg. 733-1988 • 733-1973 KALOOKAN: Astral Cutting Equipment 364-8215 • 366-2902 QUEZON CITY: Tools From Us 410-0550 • 721-0484 to 85 Anonas Construction 929-2955 • 922-0942 • 924-2752 Chi Hual Ind'l 926-0480 to 87 • 455-9450 Hilongos Ind'l 464-0421 • 454-4213 Vic Steel 912-6333 • 912-6899 LAS PINAS: Fineline Ind'l Sales 873-4461 to 62 BICUTAN: Tensile Builders 821-2274 CAVITE: Croo Trading (046) 419-2306 LAGUNA: Fineline Ind'l Sales (049) 545-7986 • 545-7993 BATANGAS: CJI Gen. Services (43) 722-0671 DAU: Sherwyn Variety (045) 331-2262 ANGELES: NCR (045) 323-4401 to 02 CAGAYAN: Goodtown (08822) 726-075 • 725-559 DAGUPAN: SK Hardware (075) 522-2559 DIPOLOG: Ivy Const. Supply (065) 212-4558 GEN. SANTOS: Dadiangas Glass (083) 552-2970 • 552-4122 ILOILO: Iloilo Paint Center (033) 337-0074 Tools Shop (033) 336-9957 CEBU: Cebu Belmont Tool Shop (032) 346-1143 Cebu Belmont Downtown Center (032) 256-1262 DAVAO: Dynatech Industrial Sales (082) 226-4797 Dragon 2000 (082) 222-7357 to 58 Trust Hardware (082) 227-9548 • 227-7215 ZAMBOANGA: Unicon Ent. (062) 991-3787 to 89 Dennis Hardware (062) 991-0585 to 86

Angara making strong bid for Senate top post

BY ARMAND N. NOCUM

OPPOSITION Sen. Edgardo Angara is making a strong bid for the Senate presidency, promising "critical collaboration" with the Macapagal administration.

But administration senators said they were not counting out the bid for the top Senate post by neophyte Sen. Joker Arroyo who now has six votes in his favor.

In a telephone interview with the INQUIRER, Sen. Loren Legarda said she had received several calls from Angara who was apparently trying to solicit her support.

"He's very soft-sell. He never asked for my vote except to say that he's going for it," Legarda said.

According to her, Angara promised to reprise his role in the Ramos administration where, as Senate president and a member of the opposition, he facilitated the passage of pertinent measures.

Angara, she admitted, would make a "formidable" candidate for Senate president.

With Angara throwing his hat into the Senate derby, she said the fight would be a "toss-up" among Senate President Aquilino Pimentel Jr., Sen. Franklin Drilon and Angara.

She admitted, however, that Arroyo was also a strong contender for the post, despite being a neophyte.

She noted that Arroyo has "wide political experience" in legislative and executive work.

Legarda said Arroyo might have a better chance than another administration candidate, Sen. Renato Cayetano, who is deemed to have a small following among his peers.

Although Cayetano had told her he might have the support of the neophyte senators, she said a number of them turned out to be for Arroyo.

Legarda said Angara or Drilon could greatly increase their chances of bagging the post if they banded together and struck a power-sharing deal similar to the one worked out by Drilon and Sen. Blas Ople in the last Congress.

Then, Drilon and Ople had divided the term of the Senate president between them.

"Although they may come from different parties and are not political allies, they will have the numbers if they band together," she said.

Angara belongs to the Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino, which is one of the parties under the Puwersa ng Masa, while Drilon ran as an independent allied with the People Power Coalition.

On the other hand, Legarda said, Drilon and Cayetano should also get together and decide whom to support, lest the post "go to the opposition."

Meanwhile, in a separate interview, Sen. Ralph Recto said two more senators have committed to back Arroyo.

He said this brings to six the number of senators supporting Arroyo. The Senate is comprised of 24 members.

Lies, former Subic exec says of raps

THE FORMER treasurer of the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority has branded as "lies" charges that the freeport illegally disbursed funds to pay the salaries of 2,200 "volunteer workers" during the tenure of SBMA chairman Richard Gordon.

The funds, amounting to P387 million, were part of P855 million in "questionable disbursements" allegedly made by the SBMA during Gordon's time, according to a complaint filed by Antonio Mendoza, head of the SBMA internal audit department.

The case was filed before the Office of the Ombudsman after the Commission on Audit "disallowed with finality (Gordon's) unliquidated expenses" as SBMA head.

Julie U. Reyes, former SBMA treasurer and one of the six respondents in the case filed on May 8, said the charges were politically motivated and filed by persons "who do not understand the gargantuan task of securing, building and promoting a freeport."

Reyes said, "We originally sought permission to hire 2,200 workers to run the power plant, airport, seaport and otherwise see to it that the former naval base would be ready for the influx of investors."

She said the Department of Budget and Management, however, only approved the hiring of 231 employees for the SBMA because it did not believe the freeport would succeed.

"That's when the volunteers who later numbered 27,000 offered their services. None of them were paid, none complained, none craved any rewards but to be a part of the miracle that was Subic," Reyes said.

She said that in 1990, then Budget Secretary Salvador Enriquez finally approved SBMA's petition to hire 1,200 workers and 1,000 casual employees after it became apparent that Gordon's formula for economic revival was working.

The salaries for the personnel, including some P142 million in contested funds, came from SBMA earnings from its business tenants and other revenues, she said.

Jobless ranks increase

BY D. DUMLAO

THE NUMBER of unemployed Filipinos rose sharply to 13.3 percent in April from 11.4 percent in January this year.

The National Statistics Office, which charts the unemployment rate at the start of every quarter, said, however, that this was usually the case each April when fresh graduates and students join the work force.

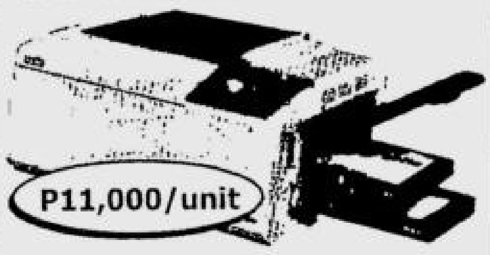
The NSO said yesterday that even though the latest figure was high, it was still lower than the 13.9 jobless rate recorded in April last year.

Figures for the other quarters within in the last year showed the jobless rate dipped to 11.2 percent in July and 10.1 percent in October before rising to 11.4 percent last January.

The labor force usually swells in April when students and graduates join the job market after school ends in March. This results in a seasonal increase in the unemployment rate since it generally takes applicants a few months to find jobs.

Johnny Noe Ravalo, Bankers Association of the Philippines chief economist and director for policy research, said the spike in last April's unemployment rate could also reflect continuing concerns about the country's ability to absorb new labor entrants.

RICOH COPIERS
OPEN FROM MONDAY TO SUNDAY

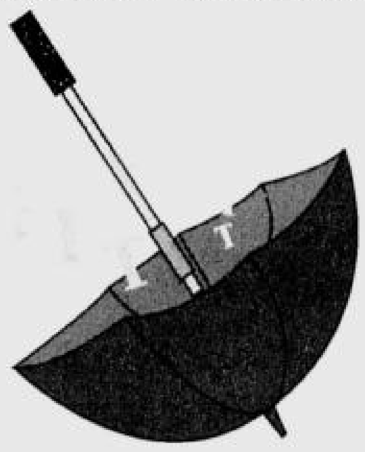


P11,000/unit
KAI GEN. MDSE. Tel.: 713-7684
(INFRONT OF PUP ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE BLDG.)
GC-1 BLDG. 3 GSIS METROHOMES PUREZA STA MESA MANILA
AUTHORIZED DEALERS
LUZON: Bocaue (044) 692-5377 • Calamba 049-8340034 • Lucena 042-7107966 • Daet 054-7215820 • Naga 472-0494 • Iriga 054-6552024 • Legaspi 052-8203345 • Masbate 056-3332793 VISAYAS: Cebu 032-4123697 • Catbalogan 055-2512206 • Calbayog 055-2093322 • Tacloban 0919-8044353 • Iloilo 033-3297828 • MINDANAO Pagadian 0919-2962159 • Davao 082 2226824 • Gen Santos 083-3020743 • Cagayan de Oro 088-2313850 • Cotabato (064) 421-6238 • Iligan 063-2215492

THE MOST DURABLE CHAIR EVER INVENTED BY A FILIPINO.
MEMBER: FILIPINO INVENTORS SOCIETY
• UNIQUE
• ARTISTIC
• DURABLE
• ALL RIVETTED WITH SOLID STEFL FRAME
NAVARRO PATENTED SCHOOL CHAIR*
DECS APPROVED
*IMMITATION IS PUNISHABLE BY LAW
A.C.NAVARRO PATENTED PRODUCTS
50 TAYTAY ST., MAYPAJO CALOOCAN CITY
2880837 • 2883689 • 2887172

PC BODEGA
Your One-Stop Computer Shop
www.pcbodega.com.ph Order-Online
Computer On Sale!
PCB HOMEOFFICE 2001
Pentium III 800MHz
VIA Chipset Mboard, 128MB Pc133 8MB VGA, 32Bit AudioCard, 20GB HDD 1.44MB FDD, 60X CD-Drive, 14" Monitor 140W Speaker, 56K Modem, 550W AVR
"INTERNET READY" 26,500
INTEL STUDENT STATION
Celeron 733MHz
VIA Chipset Mboard, 64MB Pc133 4MB VGA, 3D Audio acceler., 20GB HDD 1.44MB FDD, 60X CD-Drive, 14" Monitor 140W Speaker, 56K Modem, 550W AVR
"INTERNET READY" 21,700
ARMADA GAMEMASTER
Pentium III 733MHz
VIA Chipset Mboard, 128MB Pc133 GeForce2 MX 32MB,3D Audio, 20GB HDD 1.44MB FDD, 17" Monitor, 140W Speaker, 10/100 Mbps NIC, 550W AVR
"NETWORK READY" 26,800
CPU Pentium III 733MHz 5,950
Pentium III 933MHz ... 10,100
Pentium III 1GHz 10,800
HDD Seagate 20GB 3,950
Seagate 30GB 4,600
Seagate 40GB 5,700
RAM 64MB PC133SDRAM 600
128MB PC133SDRAM 1,050
256MB PC133SDRAM 2,400
Tel# (02)721-4482/724-7905/724-7819 #12A Doña Juana S. Rodriguez Ave. New Manila Q.C.

TAKE ADVANTAGE NOW!
RAINY SEASON PROFIT SCHEME



Take advantage of high demands for pure drinking water this rainy season. We will show you how easy it is to be a millionaire in just a few months.

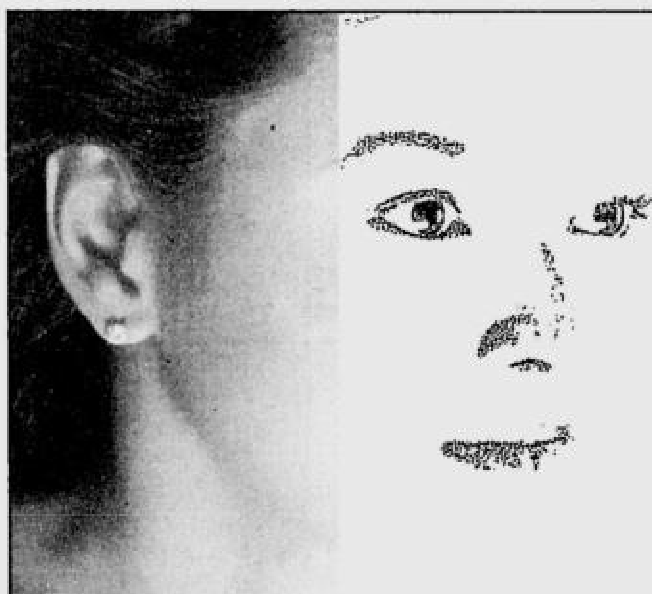
- *We provide start-up and training, store lay-out and design.*
- *Pro-active customers service.*
- *Reliable on-call technical support*
- *Customized equipment based on quality of source water*

Available in 500 to 5,000 GPD
BIG DISCOUNTS TO CASH BUYERS! Lots of FREE items!
Now accepting distributorship nationwide:
Tels.: 838-2042 • 838-2052 to 55 • 838-2037 / 39
FAX: 838-2050
CEBU OFFICE: (032) 345-9261
WATER WARE International Inc.
Global Technology. Local Expertise.
3rd Floor Administration Bldg., Duhat St., FTI Complex Taguig MM.
E-mail: watrware@philonline.com
A MEMBER OF: Water Quality

Forty Winks
BEDS & MATTRESSES

POSTUREPEDIC SUPPORT ONLY FROM
Sealy
MATTRESS
BERKLEY HMF
June Bride
SPECIAL PACKAGES
GO TO BED WITH Sleepyhead
USING THE MOST ADVANCED COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY IN MATTRESSES
MOSSMAN
SAVE UP TO 30% OFF!
SOFABED
SITTERBED
ELYSSA

SM BACOOR (046)4171972
SM MEGAMALL 6356812-13
SM CEBU (32)2321632
SM NORTH EDSA 9276813
SM SOUTHMALL 8001110
FIESTA WORLD MALL (043)9810790
RIVERBANKS MALL OFF-PRICE DEPT. STORE 9489759
STA. LUCIA 6817498-99
PIONEER HOUSE (near Greenbelt Square) 8105647
MAGALLANES 8541850-52
MC HOME BUILDERS' DEPOT 8934167
OPEN DAILY 10:00am to 9:00pm
OPEN DAILY 9:00am to 8:00pm



The Power of Fairer, Whiter Skin

the target:
dark complexion, age spots, skin discoloration

the reverse ageing force:

Shiroi
Active Whitening Treatment
- effectively lightens dark complexion
- diminishes age spots
- fades skin discolorations
- promotes skin clarity for hyper-pigmentation problems
- stabilizes skin tone over dark, blotchy areas

So whether you have sun-darkened or naturally born dark skin, Shiroi Active Whitening Treatment will make it fairer, whiter. In no time, you'll see the beautiful difference!

Experience skin whitening that's beyond anything you've ever imagined! Call Facial Care Centre NOW!

Facial care centre
Where Beautiful Skin Happens

MAKATI	NEW LOCATION ORTIGAS	QUEZON CITY	SHAW	ALABANG	BINONDO	CEBU
817-3323	687-2196	372-6633	534-7701/02	842-1144	242-2148	233-7631
812-6080/81	687-2197	372-6634	717-0076	809-9583 / 850-4577	242-2185	233-7633/35
Solid Mills Bldg., dela Rosa St.	631-3007 · 631-3045 Robinsons Equitable Tower, ADB Ave.	410-3709 · 410-3710 Cedar Executive Bldg. Timog Avenue	Sunshine Square Plaza	Citibank-Frabelle Bldg. Alabang-Zapote Rd.	Federal Tower Bldg. Dasmariñas St.	Keppel Centre, Cebu City

ALL CENTERS ARE NOW OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK.
MON. - FRI. (8 AM - 7 PM) / SAT. (8 AM - 5 PM) / SUN. (10 AM - 3 PM)

Envied by everybody. Adored by many.

When It Comes To
BEAUTY SKIN CARE,
They Know Only
ONE NAME...
nora

- **Hygienization** aseptic, scarless removal of unwanted pimples blackheads, whiteheads and warts.
- **Dekeratinization** the peeling off of the outer skin layer to bring out the younger, lovelier skin underneath. Without damaging underlying tissues.
- **Beauty Skin Enhancement** caring for your skin with proven beauty skin formulations available to our clients.
- **Other Special Services** permanent eyebrow, eyeline & lipline tattoo, semi-permanent eyelash curling, cosmetic surgery by a certified plastic surgeon

Jewel May Lobaton
Bb. Pilipinas-Universe
1998

Biboy Rivera
1996 Asian Youth
Masters Bowling
Champion

Bong Coo
World Champion
International Bowling
Hall of Famer

Beauty and Skin Care Authority
nora dela rosa
Since 1972

Main Clinic
G/F, 427 Martinez St., Mandaluyong City
Tels. 532-2115 / 534-2671 / 719-6128
Clinic Schedules: Monday-Friday 10AM - 8 PM
Saturday: 9 AM - 6 PM
By Appointments Only

US (California) Branch
10041 Lampson Ave., Gardengrove,
California, USA. 92840
Tels. (714) 530-3124

Nora's Hotline
532-2115

FACE VALUE PROMO
50% CUT THIS AD TO AVAIL OF THIS DISCOUNT

NOW AVAILABLE IN THE PHILIPPINES!

PulmoMist
PERSONAL ULTRASONIC NEBULIZER

Aerosol medication therapy for the effective treatment of:
- Bronchial Asthma
- Acute Bronchitis
- Emphysema
- COPD and other respiratory disorders

Unlike ordinary nebulizers, PulmoMist penetrates deeply into the air sac (inner part of the lungs).

Includes:
AC Adapter for Home Use
DC Adapter for Car Use
Optional Accessory:
Rechargeable Battery

3-YEAR WARRANTY

For Adults & Children

WITH AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF!

P3,900 ONLY!

Relief in 6 minutes!

Manufactured for and Exclusively Distributed by
medical center trading corporation
Pioneer St. Cor. Shaw Blvd. Pasig City
Tels. 631-1715, 631-9355, 637-9504 Fax (632) 631-7869
E-mail Address: medcen@info.com.ph

Available in
mercury drug
Stores Nationwide

Lipa Branch	Davao Branch	Iloilo Branch	Pasig Branch	Manila Branch	Cebu Branch
Tel (043) 7572051	Tel (082) 222-4404	(033) 320-1413	Tel. 631-1715	Tel. 711-8374	Tel (032) 254-2367

Abu Sabaya complains of news blackout

SABAYA

ISABELA, Basilan—A spokesperson of the Abu Sayyaf bandit group holding American and Filipino hostages yesterday said the government was trying to prevent him from talking to the media.

The RMN radio station aired the comments from the spokesperson, Abu Sabaya, which were cut short because of a bad telephone line.

"Malacañang is trying to prevent me from talking over the radio," Sabaya told the radio station.

He did not elaborate or refer to his claim on Tuesday that the Abu Sayyaf had beheaded an American hostage.

The reported victim, 40-year-old Guillermo Sobero, is one of the three US citizens and 17 Filipinos abducted by the Abu Sayyaf from the Dos Palmas resort in Palawan on May 27.

After escapes, rescues and fresh seizures, the bandits now hold more than two dozen hostages, all but three of them Filipinos.

The government has asked local media not to give undue publicity to the bandits. *Reuters*

Abus eyed in hijacking of vessel

(From page A1)

Island chain.

But Adan said there were no indications that the Abu Sayyaf was responsible for the hijacking.

"This could be an incident of piracy and banditry and could not be ascribed yet to the Abu Sayyaf," Adan said.

The pirates were believed to be hiding on nearby Baguan Island, said Col. Danilo Servando of the Southern Command, which is based in Zamboanga City.

The Malaysian Coast Guard said the pirates hijacked four fishing boats.

Coast Guard commander Muhamad Muda told Agence France Presse that three of the fishing boats taken to the Philippines by pirates were freed yesterday.

The nine crewmembers of the three boats were released unharmed after the boat owners paid 500 ringgit ($132) for each of them to the hijackers, according to Muhamad.

He said the hijack was unrelated to the Abu Sayyaf kidnap band holding 29 captives, including three Americans, on Basilan Island but was the work of "ordinary sea robbers."

A group of gunmen wearing Army fatigues had seized the four vessels and a total of 12 crewmembers.

The assailants, believed to be armed with M-16 rifles, towed the boats into Philippines waters off Ligiman Island, according to Muhamad.

The owner of the remaining boat was still negotiating with the hijackers for the release of the vessel and its three crew, he said.

Pirates

Malacañang said Malaysian pirates and not Filipinos were responsible for the hijacking of a Malaysian vessel.

But presidential spokesperson Rigoberto Tiglao said the remaining vessel had already been released in exchange for a "ransom" of 25,000 ringgit.

"As far as we know, the money was paid and the Malaysian vessel was released. The report of the military was that, this had nothing to do with the Abu Sayyaf," Tiglao said in a press briefing.

The vessel was hijacked around 1:30 p.m. the other day about 25 miles off Sandakan, according to information submitted by the military to Malacañang.

It was then brought to Pulau, which Tiglao said was part of the Turtle Islands.

Before reports came out that the vessel was released, a Navy patrol craft was steaming toward the Turtle Islands from Zamboanga after regional military chief Lt. Gen. Gregorio Camiling ordered the Navy to "check and take appropriate action," Servando said.

The hijacking occurred amid a hostage crisis involving the Abu Sayyaf.

The bandits had demanded the Philippine government to allow Malaysian negotiators to mediate in the hostage crisis.

The Abu Sayyaf claimed on Wednesday that it had beheaded an American because the Philippine government was barring the entry of the Malaysian go-betweens. But there was no proof that Californian Guillermo Sobero had been killed.

Reluctant

The Malaysians had said they were reluctant to get involved because there were no Malaysian hostages.

Ms Macapagal said the original request for two Malaysian negotiators had been overtaken by events.

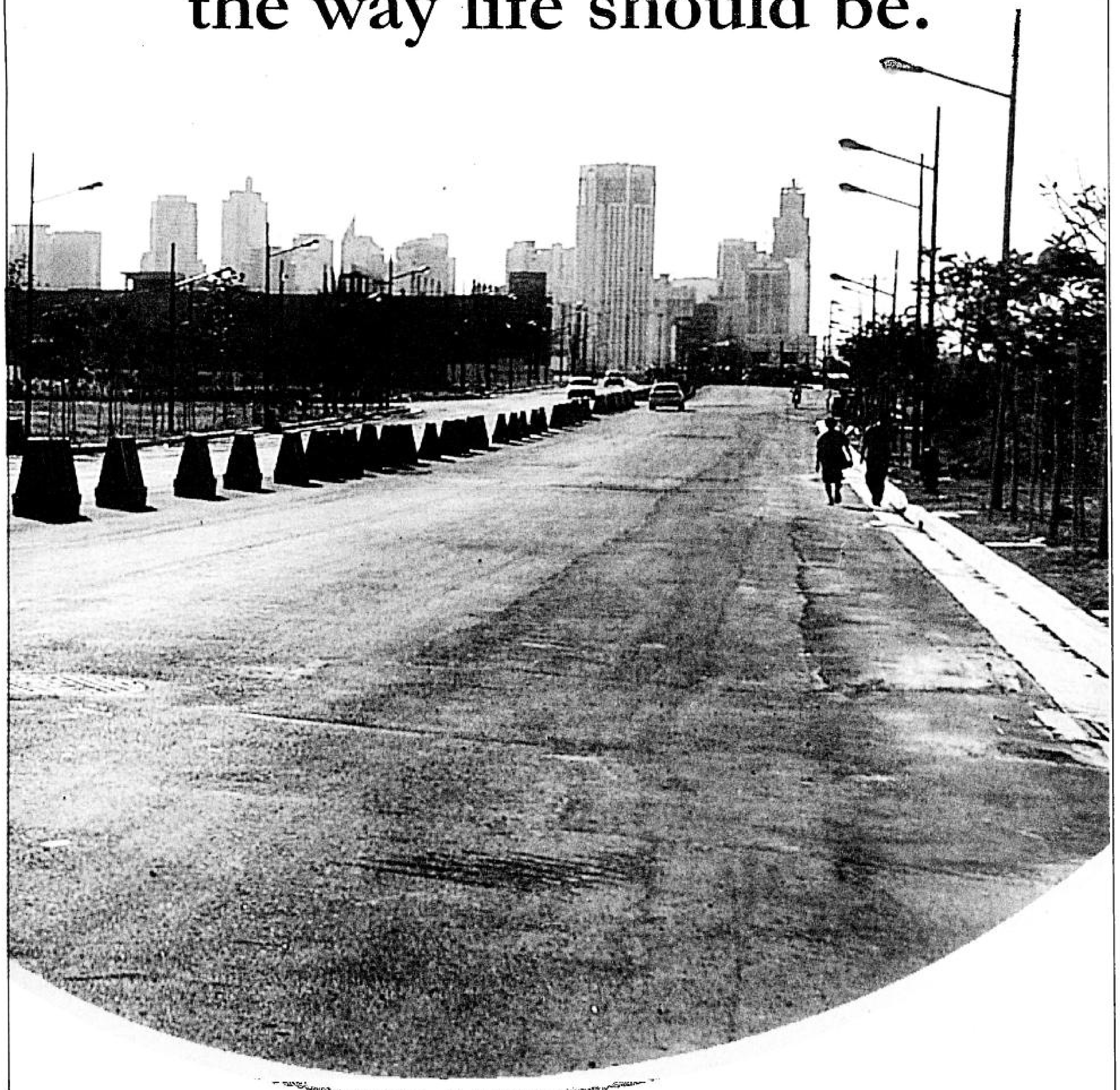
She said Abu Sayyaf spokesperson Abu Sabaya effectively ended all talks with the government after claiming to have beheaded Sobero.

Servando said the area was a "frequent place for piracy" and the Abu Sayyaf had not been active there in recent months.

However, intelligence sources in Zamboanga said Abu Sayyaf gunmen abducted a Malaysian and two Hong Kong fishery workers in the area in 1998.

The captives were freed unharmed several months later.

Nine of the hostages now being held by the Abu Sayyaf were snatched from the Dos Palmas resort in Palawan, and include American Christian missionary couple Martin and Gracia Burnham, as well as Sobero. *Reports from AFP*



32nd Street
brings you closer to
the way life should be.

As Fort Bonifacio Development Corporation formally opens 32nd Street to vehicular traffic, we also welcome you to the heart of the Bonifacio Global City. Enjoy easier access to premier destinations within the Global City such as the first Philippine franchise of S&R Price Club — a US based membership-shopping warehouse, The Fort, and the recently opened Dencio's Bar and Grill. Be witness to an emerging skyline and marvel at the magnificent architecture of world-class residential condominiums: Pacific Plaza Towers, Essensa East Forbes, and the soon to be completed Bonifacio Ridge and Regent Parkway. To be anticipated are the opening of office structures: Net One Center, HatchAsia GlobalCity Center, and Bonifacio Stopover — a one-stop gasoline and food station.

32nd Street is now your direct link between two of Manila's major road arteries: C5 and EDSA.

FORT BONIFACIO
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Former public works chief acquitted of graft

By Volt Contreras

THE SANDIGANBAYAN'S second division yesterday acquitted former public works secretary Jose de Jesus in a graft case involving a P338-million waterway project awarded by the government in March 1992.

The court said the prosecution failed to prove that the Service and Transfer Agreement entered into by the DPWH with foreign company Rand Marine Services, Inc. was reached at a cost grossly disadvantageous to the government.

"The facts did not show that the accused became directly or indirectly interested for personal gain, had material interest in the transaction or act… (or) appropriated for himself even a single centavo out of the proceeds of the contract," said the 31-page decision.

The questioned contract had BMSI being tapped by the government to dredge the Gasac-Guagua-San Fernando Waterways in Sasmuan and Guagua. The deal also called for the hand-over of dredging equipment to the DPWH upon the completion of the project.

De Jesus served as DPWH chief during the Aquino administration.

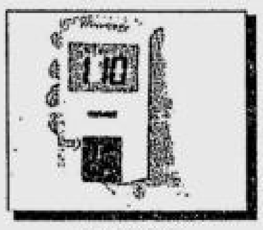
Mid-year 3-Day Sale
June 15, 16 and 17

MAIN SHOWROOM: 1064 EDSA MUNOZ, Q.C. Tels. 926-1504, 921-3342 Email: www.wilcon@wilcon.com.ph Website: www.wilcon.ph
BRANCHES: QUEZON AVE. BRANCH: 24 Quezon Ave. between Banawe and D. Tuazon, Quezon City Tels. 711-4105, 712-3673, 712-3627, 743-8147 to 49, 743-8144 Fax: 711-4120 • EDSA ORTIGAS BRANCH: 199 EDSA nr. cor. Ortigas Ave. Mandaluyong, City Tels. 725-0218, 726-0573, 726-5603 Fax: 725-0292 • PASAY BRANCH: No. 16 C. Jose St., cor EDSA, Malibay, Pasay City Tels. 551-7447, 551 7574, 551-7631, 551-7635 Fax: 832-0242 • MAKATI BRANCH: Unit 128, Anson's Arcade, Pasay Road, Makati City Tels. 812-9707, 812-9709, 894-0569 Fax: 812-9708 • MINDANAO AVE. BRANCH: 143 WBS Bldg., Mindanao Ave., Bahay Toro, District 1, Quezon City Tels. 454-9709, 454-9710, 951-5596 • LAS PIÑAS BRANCH: Alabang-Zapote Road, Almanza Uno, Las Piñas City Tels. 807-8178, 807-8206, 807-8218, 807-8296 Fax: 807-8233 • PASONG TAMO BRANCH: 2212 Pasong Tamo, beside Cityland Tower, infront of Don Bosco Chapel, Makati City Tels. 893-3142, 893-3127, 893-3172, 893-3161, 893-3148 Fax: 893-3108 • LIBIS BRANCH: Lot 35-B, Block 11, Acropolis Green Village E. Rodriguez Jr. Bagumbayan, Quezon City Tel Nos.: 637-5623, 637-2305

WILCON BUILDER'S SUPPLY, INC.
HOME OF QUALITY BUILDING MATERIALS
website: www.wilcon.ph

All store outlets extended hours from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

DOUBLE CHECK DIABETES
(SIMPLY AND ACCURATELY)



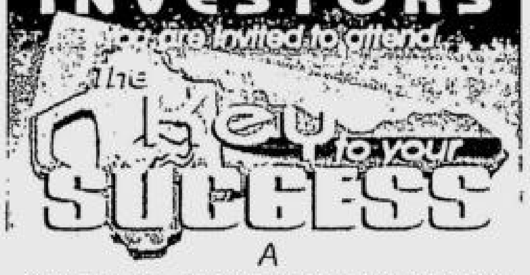
- Blood Glucose Monitoring System
- Reads MMOL/L or MG/DL
- Easy To Operate

SM MANILA 5TH FLR 484-1471
ROBINSONS GALLERIA Basement 635-5061

PRESTIGE GLUCOSE METER
fareastmedical.net

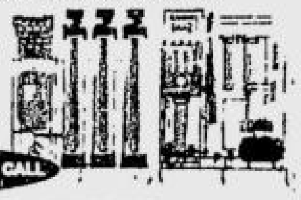
FAR EAST MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
SM MEGAMALL 5th Flr., Bldg. A 635-04-36
SM FAIRVIEW Basement 4 [illegible]
SM NORTH EDSA [illegible]
SM SOUTHMALL [illegible]
GREENHILLS, SAN JUAN [illegible]
CEBU [illegible]

ANGELES CITY and DAGUPAN CITY INVESTORS
you are invited to attend


The Key to your SUCCESS

A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SEMINAR
ON WATER REFILLING STATION
JUNE 16 QUEZON CITY
349 A. Bonifacio Ave. Cor. Mauban St., Q.C.
JUNE 23 DAGUPAN CITY
JUNE 29 ANGELES CITY
JUNE 20 & 27 QUEZON CITY
349 A. Bonifacio Ave Cor. Mauban St., Q.C

With innovative ideas. We put the Profit in Water



ATT-AQUA TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY, INC
FOR BUSINESS INQUIRIES CALL
Tel. No..(02) 367-7135 & (02) 363-0709
349 A. Bonifacio St., cor. Mauban St., Quezon City

WEINSTEIN PIANOS
Give her the BEST

- Best in quality from its unique acousticon design.
- Best in German Technology.
- Best comfort zone of family togetherness.

For as low as ₱4,000 M. I.

We accept trade-ins of pianos and organs

CUBAO
2F Ali Mall (near Cineplex) Araneta Center Tels. 912-4884 to 86 / 912-4877

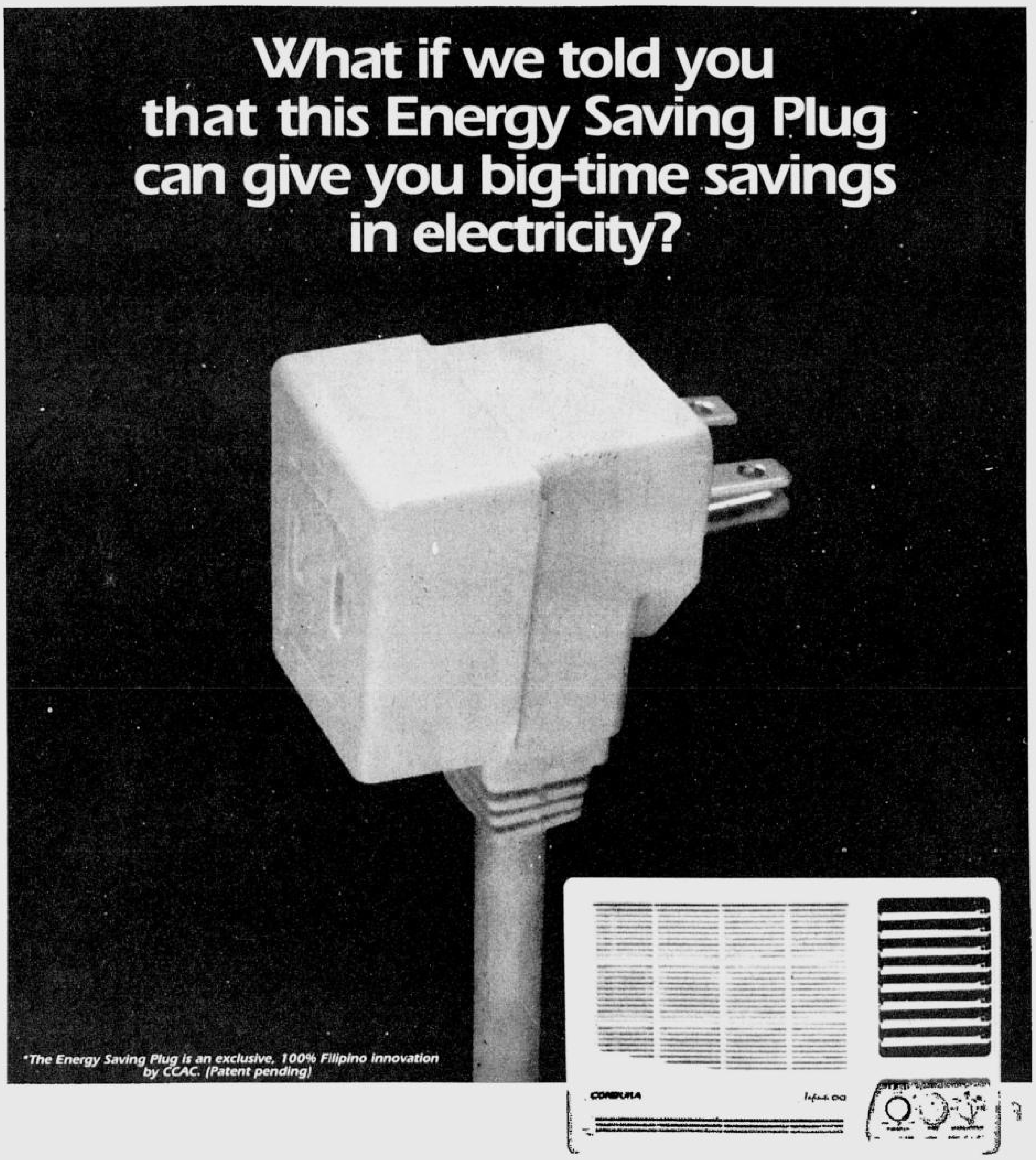
CEBU
2F SM City North Reclamation Area Tel. 032-4129290

DAVAO
Tomas Lim Bldg. Quirino Ave. Tel. 082-227-7761

1916-2001 85

Also available Weinstein guitars & other musical instruments!

NOVALICHES: Tels. 983-0806/936-7407 CAINTA: 681-7311 TAYTAY: Tels. 286-4546/286-5540 PASIG: Tel. 916-7498 LAS PINAS: Tel. 861-1337 BINONDO: Tel. 254-8656 SAN PEDRO: Tel. 808-0048 SAN PABLO: Tel. (049) 562-0852 STA. ROSA: Tel. (049) 837-6480 LUCENA: Tel. (042) 710-4037 BICOL: Tel. (052) 4807765 DAGUPAN: Tel. (075) 5155381 BOHOL: Tel. (038) 411-4576 CAGAYAN DE ORO: Tel. (08822) 712-197



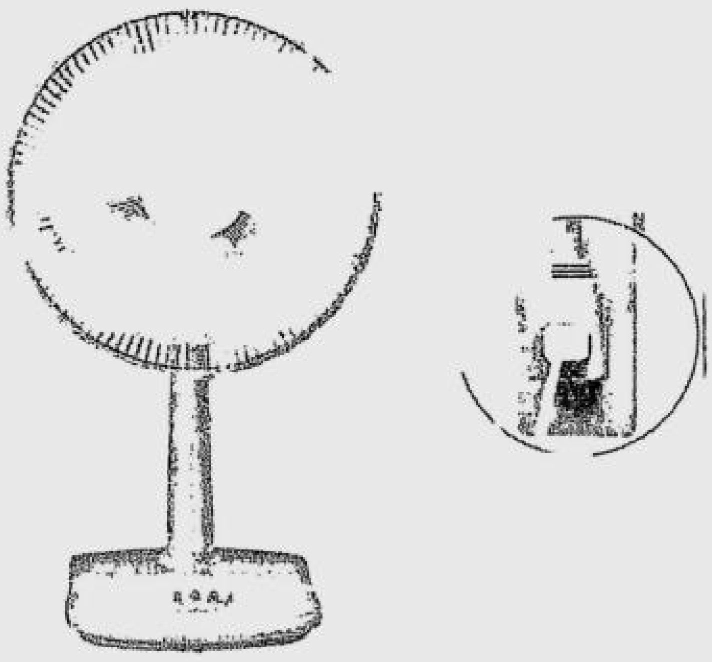
What if we told you that this Energy Saving Plug can give you big-time savings in electricity?

*The Energy Saving Plug is an exclusive, 100% Filipino innovation by CCAC. (Patent pending)

The New Condura Infiniti ∞
with Energy Saving Plug*

With an improved and extremely high Energy Efficiency Ratio, you can rely on the new Infiniti's superior cooling power, anti-noise operations and anti-rust durability night after night without worrying over huge electricity bills. Plus, enjoy even bigger savings and uninterrupted comfort with the Energy Saving Plug.

Just plug your electric fan into the Energy Saving Plug. Set the Infiniti's timer to automatically turn it off and on when you please. The electric fan will then automatically turn on (or off again). No more getting out of bed to do it yourself since the Infiniti saves you money even while you sleep.



CONCEPCION-CARRIER AIR CONDITIONING
www.carrier.com.ph
897-5555 CONCEPCION-CARRIER CUSTOMER CARE

CONDURA
WE'RE MAKING SURE YOU HAVE A BETTER CHOICE

DIABETIC? AMPALAYA CAPSULE
EFFECTIVE NATURAL ALTERNATIVE
NO BOILING, NO BITTER TASTE, VERY CONVENIENT !
Take Charagen®
AMPALAYA MOMORDICA CHARANTIA CAPSULE
MOST OUTSTANDING HERBAL BASED PRODUCT
NATIONAL CONSUMERS EXCELLENCE AWARDEE 2001
By: National Consumers Council / People's Choice Award
"It is proven effective to LOWER BLOOD SUGAR to Diabetes 1 & 2
to supplement regular medication, taken 3xday.
NO SIDE EFFECTS - studies given to my 47 patients."
Dr. CIRILO R. GALINDEZ - Chief of Hospital
Veterans Regional Hospital - Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya
Available nationwide at selected
mercury drug PROVINCIAL DEALERS WELCOME
• GNC Live Well • SM Family Drug
BFAD FR-24464
Visit our website at www.absgen.com
ABS-GEN HERBS Int'l. Tels. 435-0086 • 928-30-57 • 435-88-17

No more hunger pangs; here's how

(From page A1)

implanting an inflatable plastic belt around your upper stomach to create a feeling of fullness when you're hungry.

The US Food and Drug Administration recently approved for distribution a controversial weight loss device that has been used in Europe for several years.

The product, the Lap-Band Adjustable Gastric Banding System, is implanted into a patient where the stomach attaches to the esophagus.

It can then be inflated with silicon, saline solution or air through a portal beneath the skin.

Patients are supposed to feel full quickly and experience physical discomfort if they continue to eat.

The device is intended for only the morbidly obese—those at least 100 lb overweight or at least twice their ideal body weight—who have failed to lose weight by other traditional methods such as dieting and exercise.

"The band is implanted by laparoscopic or keyhole surgery and is then adjusted over time—either loosened or tightened—to meet individual patient needs. Once the band is in place, it is inflated with saline. Subsequent adjustments are made through a portal under the skin," said the FDA in its talking paper on the product.

For severely obese people, being overweight is a serious health concern and not just a cosmetic problem. Many usually have serious health problems such as hypertension, gall bladder disease and diabetes, resulting from their excess weight.

The Lap-Band is intended to remain in place permanently, but can be surgically removed.

People who opt for Lap-Band surgery will still need to diet and exercise in order to maintain their weight loss, cautioned the FDA.

Manufacturer's study

The FDA approved the Lap-Band based on a review of clinical studies of safety and effectiveness conducted by the product's manufacturer, BioEnterics Corp. of California.

BioEnterics studied 299 patients aged 18 to 55 who were implanted with the Lap-Band at eight medical centers in the United States.

Patients were required to follow a severely restricted diet after the device was implanted and to exercise at least 30 minutes a day.

During the course of the three-year study, most patients steadily lost weight, and by 36 months had lost an average of 36 percent of their excess weight.

Sixty-two percent of patients lost at least 25 percent of their excess weight; 52 percent lost at least 33 percent; 22 percent lost at least 50 percent; and 10 percent lost at least 75 percent.

Two percent of patients gained some weight, and 5 percent neither lost nor gained.

Eighty-nine percent of patients experienced at least one side effect, such as nausea and vomiting (51 percent), heartburn (34 percent), abdominal pain (27 percent) and band slippage or pouch enlargement (24 percent).

Nine percent of patients needed to have another operation to correct a problem with the device. Twenty-five percent had their entire Lap-Band Systems removed, mostly because of adverse side effects.

In about one-third of those patients, insufficient weight loss was also reported as a contributing factor to the decision to have the Lap-Band removed.

Problems

CNN reported in June last year that an FDA advisory committee refused to approve the weight-control device, which had run into medical difficulties during its US trials.

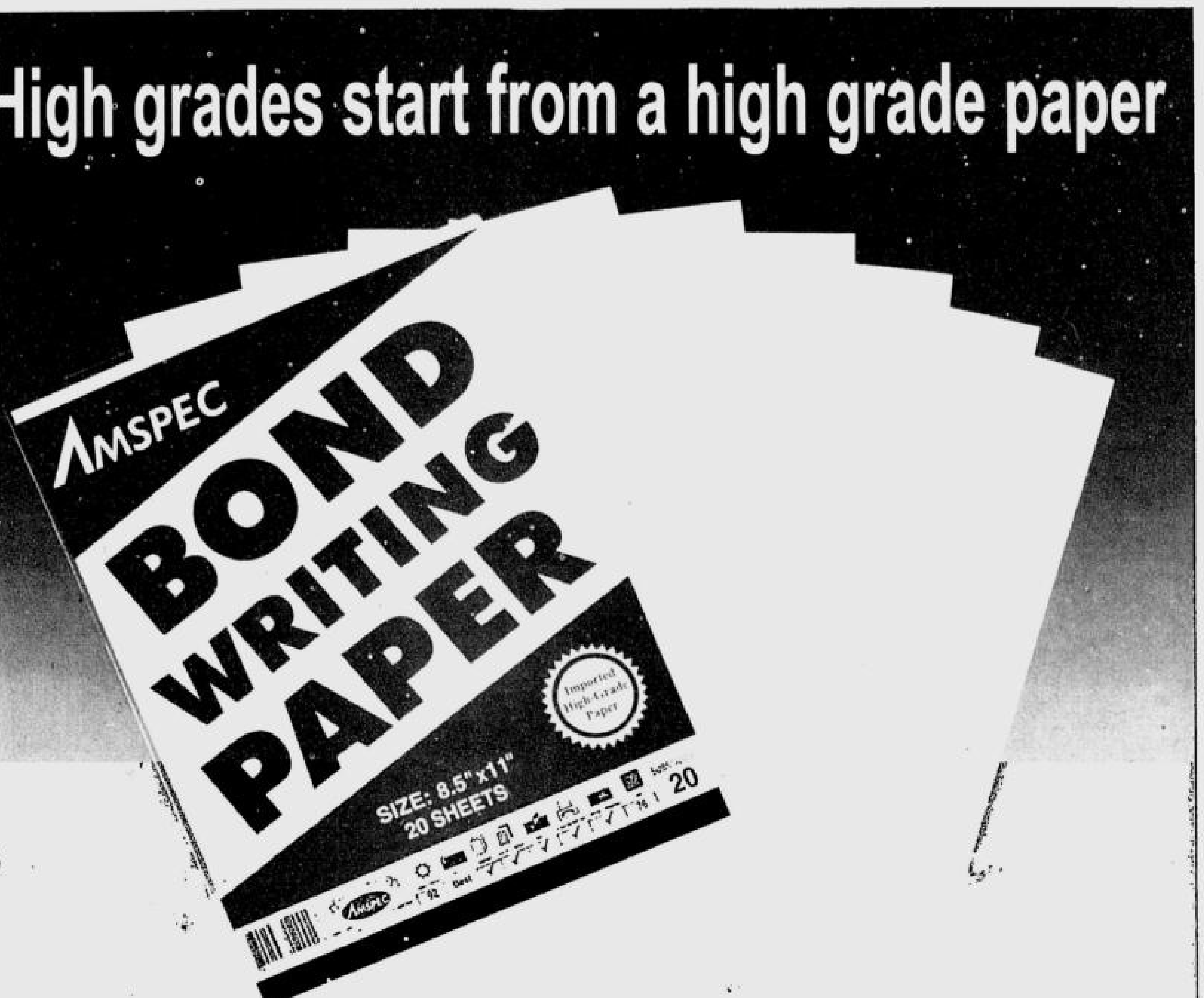
The FDA committee concluded at the time that there was insufficient data to determine whether the device was safe and effective.

CNN reported that it had learned that four of the eight US medical centers that had been using the devices on a trial basis had problems with them.

"Half of the US centers stopped their trials of the device because of problems ranging from infection, to leakage, to esophageal difficulties. These four centers even had to remove the device from some patients," the report on the CNN website said.

European doctors have used the Lap-Band since 1993 as an alternative to gastric-bypass surgery for obese patients, according to the news agency.

High grades start from a high grade paper



Substance 20. Brightness 92.
AMSPEC
AMALGAMATED SPECIALTIES CORPORATION
Visit us at www.amspecial.com
AS ADVERTISED IN ASIAN WALLSTREET JOURNAL.

Wife says Sobero ran off with girlfriend to RP

(From page A1)

of Filipinos.

Fanny Sobero also told police she suspected that her estranged husband had run off with another woman, Coleman said.

In a phone interview with Reuters Wednesday, Fanny confirmed that she suspected her husband of having been on holiday in the Philippines with another woman.

She said she was losing confidence that he was still alive, and suspected she was not being told the whole story

Fanny said she wanted to know one way or another so she could know how to help their children.

"I feel like something's going on where the (US) State Department and (the Federal Bureau of Investigation) are . not getting their story together," she said, adding:

"I have . children to care for and . . . I'm keeping them away from (the news) because I don't want to cause them (unnecessary) emotional trauma.

"Before, I felt better about it. At this point I just don't know what's going on."

Scuba diving

Alberto Sobero, brother of the hostage, declined to comment on the supposed girlfriend but told Reuters: "As far as I understand, Guillermo was there scuba diving. He is not a political person."

The brother earlier told ABC's "Good Morning America" that the State Department told them it could take from several hours to days before the two headless bodies could be positively identified.

"The FBI has told us that the likelihood that (Guillermo) has met foul play is now very high," Alberto said from his home in Cathedral City, California.

But he said he was still clinging to the hope that his brother was alive.

"All we have left now is hope. If indeed they have killed him, they have left four children without a father and a grieving mother. We are still clinging to that very slim hope that he will return," Alberto said.

Aimee Sobero, 13, the eldest of Sobero's four children, said her siblings—aged 6, 3 and 2—had been told only that their father was away working.

In an interview with CBS News' "The Early Show," Aimee said she had written to President George W. Bush asking for his help.

"All I know is that we really need his help, because he's the boss, pretty much, and without him, nothing's possible, really," she said.

Video tape

In Manila, Malacañang yesterday said Abu Sayyaf spokesperson Abu Sabaya had offered to sell a video tape of a beheading, apparently of an American, to an "American TV network."

President Macapagal-Arroyo's spokesperson Rigoberto Tiglao said the offer was made the other day to the network that he refused to identify.

Asked if the offer was accepted, Tiglao said he did not know.

CNN.com said that a man claiming to be Sabaya told CNN by phone that the Abu Sayyaf had a "film" of the execution that he was willing to sell. "CNN refused to buy the purported film," it said.

Tiglao told reporters that Sabaya did not refer specifically to Sobero.

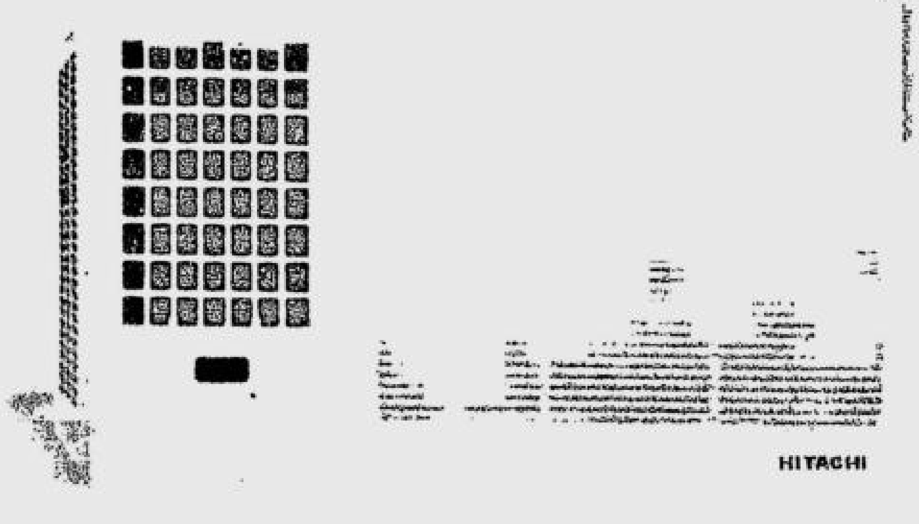
He quoted Sabaya as saying, "If you want to buy the video tape of the beheading, you can buy it."

Tiglao said this indicated how "depraved" Sabaya was.

"Very rarely do we see such a criminal so depraved as to psychologically torture his victims and their loved ones by making such announcements. This is a criminal who enjoys torturing humans, and to even make money out of such gruesome deeds," Tiglao said.

Reuters, Martin P. Marfil

ALWAYS QUIET
HITACHI
AIR CONDITIONERS
Get FREE INSTALLATION with every window-type air conditioner purchased!
JAPAN'S No.1 IN TECHNOLOGY



Promo Period:
MAY 1~ JUNE 30, 2001
Listen First, Then Buy!

AVAILABLE AT:

AUTOMATIC APPLIANCES
All Branches.

ABENSON INC.
All Branches.

MANILA DEALERS

AMBASSADOR APPLIANCES, INC.
421 Dasmarinas St., Binondo, Mla.
Tel. # 241-3867

BERSCO Industries
71 Tayuman Ext., Tondo Manila
Tel. # 256-4598

BRHL
541 F. Cayco St., Manila
Tel. # 743-1182-83

CHIA'S EMPORIUM
664-670 G. Puyat St.,
Quiapo, Manila
Tel. # 733-1774; 733-1772

CITATION APPLIANCES, INC.
G. Puyat St., Sta. Cruz, Manila
Tel. # 733-0440

COSMOPOLITAN
568-570 Tomas Mapua St.,
Sta., Cruz, Manila
Tel. # 733-3061; 733-8776

DELTACOOL
A. Luna St., San Juan,
Metro Manila
Tel. # 723-0288-89

FIRST ASIAN SALES
Isabel Bldg., 1458
España St., Manila
Tel. # 740-3072-73

UNION APPLIANCES
SALES CENTER
670-672 Rizal Ave.,
Sta. Cruz, Manila
Tel. # 733-7497/733-2414

ZD TRADING
Sta., Cruz, Manila
Tel. # 711-8690

FAIR N SQUARE EMPORIUM
250 Escolta, Binondo, Manila
Tel. # 241-2881

QUEZON CITY DEALERS

COLD MAGIC
79-C Bigmy St., cor.,
Anonas Project 2, Q. C.
Tel. # 921-0503; 927-8924

DRV
69-F Kamuning Rd., Q. C.
Tel. # 913-2043;
913-08351; 926-0218

RCE CORP.
G/F Tatalino Building
New York St., cor.,
E. Rodriguez, Q. C.
Tel. # 724-8950

FEL-AIRE
15th Ave., Quezon City
Tel. # 912-1606

RITEWAY
G/F Carbal Bldg.,
68 West Ave., Q.C.
Tel. # 411-1374

SKY AIRE
18-B 4th Caramilla St.,
Murphy, Quezon City
Tel. # 912-6303

SKY ASIA Int'l Trading Corp.
463 Mayon St., Quezon City
Tel. # 749-1392; 749-8101-12

TDS AIRCONDITIONING
Kamias Rd., Q.C.
Tel. # 922-6619; 921-0079

VPG ENTERPRISES
#6 Luskot St., Q.C.
Tel. # 742-7301 ; 711-3994

CALOOCAN DEALER

PANASON
168 11th Ave., Grace
Park, Caloocan City
Tel. # 366-1598

ZOOM APPLIANCES
41 Mac Arthur Highway,
Caloocan City
Tel. # 361-2846

CAVITE DEALER

ASAMA
ABC Tower Aguinaldo H-way
cor. Tirona H-way., Bacoor
Cavite(across SM Bacoor)
Tel. # (046) 970-6209-13

LAS PIÑAS DEALER

RDR Luxaire
L10 B15 Aster St.,T.S. Cruz Subd.
Almanza II, Las Pinas City
Tel. # 809-4896; 809-0597

MUNTINLUPA DEALER

WEATHERTECH
Nat'l. Highway Tunasan,
Muntinlupa City
Tel. # 565-5901; 861-3063

ANTIPOLO DEALER

MGDL
L7 Blk 21 Hon. Benito
Soliven Ave., Greenheights,
Antipolo City
Tel. # 682-6101

MARIKINA DEALER

OFF PRICE DEPT. STORE
Riverbanks Center
Tel. # 998-2664

ORTIGAS DEALER

HI-COOL ENG'R. CORP.
19th Flr., Galleria Corporate Ctr.
EDSA cor., Ortigas Ave., Q.C.
Tel. # 634-5347-50

MANDALUYONG DEALER

ULTIMATE ENERGY SYSTEMS
Suite 4-A Silvercord Tower,
803 S. Laurel cor., Shaw Blvd.,
Mandaluyong City

Ani gives Mark Jimenez 3 days to give more testimony vs Erap

By Cathy C. Yamsuan

THE OFFICE of the Ombudsman has given Mark Jimenez three days to file a more detailed affidavit about his P346-million check deposits to bank accounts allegedly owned by former President Joseph Estrada.

Ombudsman Aniano Desierto said a "more exhaustive" affidavit that will satisfy government prosecutors will earn Jimenez immunity from prosecution in connection with the cases against Estrada.

That might also earn him a delay in the extradition request filed by the US government against him for alleged illegal campaign contributions and tax evasion.

The Department of Justice had promised to ask the US government for a deferment of Jimenez's extradition after he vowed to cooperate in the plunder and graft cases against Estrada. The DOJ has also enrolled him under the Witness Protection program.

However, the DOJ is not satisfied with his earlier affidavit, saying he left out too many details and merely corroborated the more substantial testimony furnished by former SSS administrator Carlos Arellano and former GSIS general manager Federico Pascual.

That's the reason why Jimenez, who was recently elected congressman of Manila's sixth district, is being required to submit additional testimony.

Desierto said Jimenez had expressed willingness to give detailed information about the checks he deposited in Estrada's accounts, as well as irregular transactions the former president allegedly undertook for monetary profit.

Capulong is reserve judge in int'l court

HUMAN rights lawyer Romeo Capulong emerged as a surprise winner in the election of "standby" judges for the International Criminal Tribunal (ICTY) for the former Yugoslavia in the Hague, The Netherlands.

Capulong was among the 26 ad litem judges elected to the ICTY by the United Nations General Assembly.

As an ad litem judge, Capulong would be on-call to serve as prosecutor and judge in the UN court.

An ad litem judge may be summoned in case any of the 14 permanent judges become indisposed.

As such, Capulong may continue to stay in the Philippines while awaiting a call from the ICTY.

The Department of Foreign Affairs said Capulong placed third by garnering 141 out of the 171 votes.

Only Singapore's Amarjeet Singh and Japan's Sikako Taya bested Capulong in the voting.

Capulong's election came as a surprise to the DFA which had offhandedly submitted his candidacy early February this year when former Sen. Miriam Defensor-Santiago withdrew her own application as permanent judge to the ICTY.

Defensor-Santiago withdrew her candidacy on Feb. 5 after she was advised by the DFA that she could not hold on to any other post since she would be obliged to stay in The Hague while serving as permanent judge.

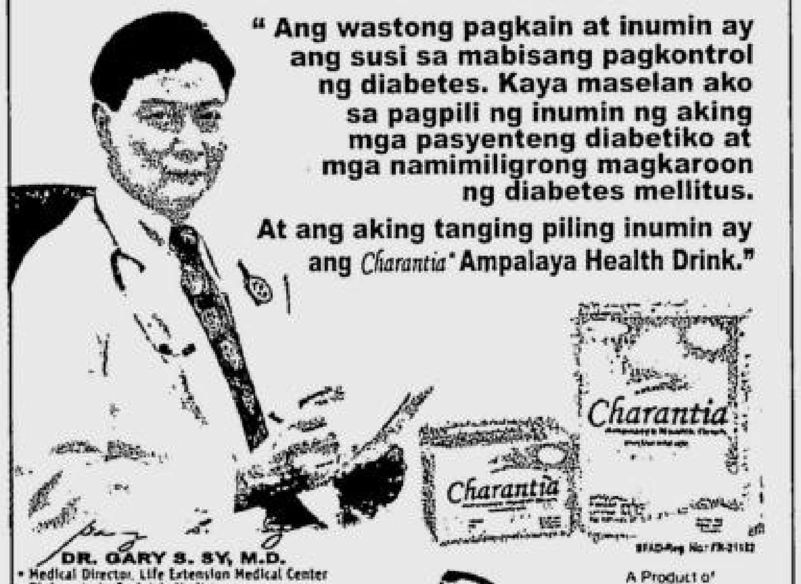
She instead ran for another term in the Senate but lost.

For lack of time, the DFA submitted Capulong's credentials, not as permanent judge but as one of the 27 ad litem judges.

The ICTY was created in 1993 to prosecute persons responsible for serious violations of international humanitarian law and genocide in the war-torn country.

POOL P268,000 PACKAGE
CONSTRUCTING NATIONWIDE
BEST POOL DESIGNS IN CALIFORNIA
SHIELDS

RESIDENTIAL • COMM'L • SPORTS • SCHOOLS • SUBDIVISIONS • RESORTS
PHONE COLLECT MLA.
826-57-46
826-41-97

DAGDAGANG BISA LABAN SA DIABETES ANG INYONG DIET, EXERCISE AT GAMOT. UMINOM ARAW-ARAW NG...
Herbcare
www.charantia.com
Charantia®
Ampalaya Health Drink
BITTERLESS PLEASANT TASTING CAFFEINE FREE ALL NATURAL
(Pronounced tsa-ran-ti-ya)
Mula sa halamang *Momordica charantia* o ampalaya na itinataguyod ng Department of Health bilang gamot na herbal laban sa diabetes mellitus
(Source: DOH CIRCULAR #168-A S. 1995)

" Ang wastong pagkain at inumin ay ang susi sa mabisang pagkontrol ng diabetes. Kaya maselan ako sa pagpili ng inumin ng aking mga pasyenteng diabetiko at mga namimiligrong magkaroon ng diabetes mellitus.
At ang aking tanging piling inumin ay ang Charantia® Ampalaya Health Drink."
DR. GARY S. SY, M.D.
• Medical Director, Life Extension Medical Center
• Diplomate in Geriatric Medicine
• Advocates Diet-Nutritional Therapy
• Preventive & Alternative Medicine
• Multi-awarded Medical Practitioner
• Health Columnist & Medical Broadcaster
Charantia HOTLINE: 802-2485
A Product of Herbcare
AVAILABLE AT ALL LEADING DRUGSTORES & SELECTED SUPERMARKETS NATIONWIDE

SIEMENS
Training in Automation
Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC) are now commonly found as standard equipment for automating machineries and processes in manufacturing plants. Training of your personnel to maintain these equipment will ensure round-the-clock efficiency of the plant and reduce downtime.
As the world leader in factory automation, Siemens PLC's are found installed in machines in various production processes like food & beverage, packaging, steel, cement, textile, chemical, utilities and among others. It is therefore a wise investment to learn the technology and concept from Siemens.
Siemens offers regular courses on the SIMATIC 505, S5 and S7 Programmable Logic Controllers on a monthly basis at our A&D Training Center. We likewise conduct training on-site or offer customized programs to meet your training requirements. Call our Automation & Drives Hotline now for more details on how to enroll.
Siemens, Inc.
Automation & Drives
12/F Salcedo Tower, 169 HV Dela Costa Street
Salcedo Village, 1227 Makati City
Telephone (632) 814-9699 Facsimile: (632) 814-9894
e-mail: A&D_Helpdesk@siemens.com.ph
Website www.siemens.com.ph/indus2e.htm
Excellence in Automation & Drives: Siemens
Automation and Drives Training Automation Systems Motors and Drives
Low Voltage Controls and Distribution Electrical Installation Technology

DLI GENERICS

QUALITY NA MURA PA SA BOTICA
Suggested Retail Price

	Price		Price
Ambroxol Capsule 75 mg	6.50	Diclofenac Sod. Film Coated Tablet 50 mg	4.70
Amoxicillin Capsule 250 mg	3.75	Glibenclamide Tablet 5 mg	2.00
Amoxicillin Capsule 500 mg	6.00	INH - Syrup 100 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	45.00
Amoxicillin Suspension 125 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	45.00	Isoniazid Tablet 300 mg	1.50
Ampicillin Capsule 500 mg	7.25	Loperamide HCl Capsule 2 mg	2.75
Ampicillin Powder for Injection 500 mg, vial	35.00	Mefenamic Acid Capsule 250 mg	2.50
Bromhexine HCl Syrup 4 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	45.00	Mefenamic Acid Tablet 500 mg	3.00
Bromhexine HCl Tablet 8 mg	1.75	Multi-Vitamin Syrup 60 mL	56.00
Carbocisteine (SCMC) Capsule 500 mg	4.50	Multi-Vitamin Tablet	3.00
Carbocisteine Syrup (SCMC) 100 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	49.00	Paracetamol Syrup 125 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	36.50
Cephalexin Capsule 500 mg	11.00	Paracetamol Tablet 500 mg	0.90
Chloramphenicol Suspension 125 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	63.00	Rifampicin Suspension 100 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	75.00
Combi Pack - INH-Rifam-PZA 300/450/500 mg	27.00/day	Rifampicin Capsule 450 mg	15.00
Combi Pack - INH-Rifam 300/450 mg	18.00/day	Salbutamol Syrup 2 mg/5 mL, 60 mL	42.00
Co-trimoxazole Suspension (TM-40 mg, SMZ-200 mg), 60 mL	56.00	Salbutamol Tablet 2 mg	1.75
Co-trimoxazole Tablet (TM-80 mg, SMZ-400 mg)	4.00	Vitamins B1 + B6 + B12 Tablet	3.50

Member: Generic Association of the Phil., Available nationwide (not yet available in Mercury Drug)
Address: 3rd Floor Lawyers Coop. Bldg., 459 Quezon Ave., Quezon City, Metro Manila
Tel. Nos.: 711-3933, 741-7763, 712-4990, 741-9203, 743-1620, 743-1626 FAX: 712-4921, 743-1633
E-Mail: pacific@DLI-Generics.com Complete FACTORY PRICES available at WEBSITE: www.DLI-Generics.com
DEALERS/DISTRIBUTORS ARE WELCOME

EXOFAT in! Excess fat out!

"I take EXOFAT Forte. I recommend EXOFAT Forte.
With EXOFAT Forte, I lost 20 pounds in 6 months. It even improved the condition of my skin! I am happy to know that there is an all-natural, safe and healthy product out there for people who are hesitant to use diet medications. I recommend EXOFAT Forte to all my patients."
— Dr. Clare Palabyab
New double-strength EXOFAT Forte helps you get rid of even more fat the healthy way.
• Contains Liphosan™, a natural marine fiber that absorbs up to 60 grams of excess fat intake before it is absorbed by the body.
• No undesirable digestive reaction (i.e. oily discharge experienced from synthetic diet pills.)
• Works only on excess fat intake, and not on carbohydrates.
• With Oligofructose, a special ingredient that promotes overall digestive health.
• BFAD-approved as 100% all-natural and safe to use for long-term basis without worry of eventual side-effects.
• No prescriptions needed.
• Recommended by doctors and healthcare professionals nationwide.
Create a New You. Call EXOFAT Advantage Team Hotlines. (02) 638-1691 to 93
Fax: (02) 638-8958 Toll-free no.: 1-800-1888-8648 (domestic calls only) • E-mail: exofat@germed.com.ph
GERMED PHARMA CORPORATION 16th flr. The Orient Square Building Emerald Avenue, Ortigas Center, Pasig City 1605
Available in all leading drugstores nationwide.

The Most Spanish and Italian Tiles at the Best Prices!
NAVARTI ceramica PLAZA CERAMICAS STYLNUL THE LEADING SPANISH CERAMIC TILE VIVES azulejos y gres ITS ceramiche

CERAMIC PLAZA
THE MOST TILES AT THE BEST PRICES
PASAY 811 EDSA Tel. 833-5510 • 834-7537
PASIG Along Ortigas Ave., Rosario Tel. 642-2928 • 916-1643
MUÑOZ 1207 EDSA Tel. 372-4687 • 372-1593 • 372-9010 • 372-9011
E. RODRIGUEZ 113 E. Rodriguez Avenue, Quezon City Tel. 732-1906
ALMANZA, LP (In front of SM Southmall) Lot 7, Alabang-Zapote Rd., Bgy. Almanza, Las Piñas City Tels. 801-7152 • 800-7131 • 800-7132 • 800-7134
TAYTAY 2 Manila East Road., Kaytikling, Taytay Rizal Tel. 284-1211
BRANCHES WITH EXTENDED STORE HOURS! 8:30 AM TO 7:00 PM DAILY
MANILA 1562 J. Abad Santos Ave. 253-2627 / 253-0590
DASMARIÑAS CAVITE Km. 37 Emilio Aguinaldo Hi-way, Dasmariñas Cavite (046) 416-3743

OPINION

e-mail: feedback@inquirer.com.ph website: http://www.inq7.net

RECYCLED NEWSPRINT • ENVIRONMENT-FRIENDLY • 100% soy ink •

EUGENIA D. APOSTOL
Founding Chairman

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

Vol. 16 No. 187
ISSN 0116-2642

ISAGANI YAMBOT
Publisher
LETTY JIMENEZ-MAGSANOC
Editor in Chief
JOSE MA. D. NOLASCO
Managing Editor
ABELARDO S. ULANDAY
Associate Editor
ARTEMIO T. ENGRACIA JR.
News Editor
NILO B. PAUROM
Assistant News Editor
PERGENTINO B. BANDAYREL JR.
National Editor
GERRY LIRIO
City Editor
JORGE V. ARUTA
Opinion Editor
ROSARIO A. GARCELLANO
Senior Deskperson
AMANDO DORONILA
Editorial Consultant

MARIXI R. PRIETO
Board Chairman
ALEXANDRA PRIETO-ROMUALDEZ
President
RENATO R. REINOSO
Senior Vice President for Sales and Marketing
DAVID O. VALDES
Senior Vice President for Corporate Services
FELIPE R. OLARTE
VP for Advertising
GLORIA P. LARDIZABAL
AVP for Circulation

The PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER, INC. has its business and editorial offices at Chino Roces Avenue (formerly Pasong Tamo) corner Yague and Mascardo Streets, Makati • P.O. Box 2353 Makati Central Post Office, 1263 Makati City, Philippines • Our new telephone numbers are 897-8808 connecting all departments; Editorial Fax 897-4793, 897-4794; Advertising 897-4807; Circulation 527-33-42, 527-33-48, 528-01-83, 528-01-86 and 528-02-13, Fax: 528-02-34.

All rights reserved. Subject to the conditions provided for by law, no article or photograph published by the Philippine Daily Inquirer may be reprinted or reproduced, in whole or in part, without its prior consent.

Judgment call

EDITORIAL

THE DECISION of the third division of the Sandiganbayan, released rather dramatically at 1:30 a.m. last Saturday, to deny deposed President Joseph Estrada the privilege of house arrest in his plunder case, is a difficult judgment call, but the right one. A law-abiding nation should support it.

"Master or slave, king or subject, prince or pauper, powerful or weak, rich or poor, no man is above the law," the 14-page decision read in part. "A preventive detainee cannot be granted special treatment, over and above other preventive detainees, cannot be given house arrest simply because he is a former president."

In a delicious irony, the court's decision suggested only one possible exception: gender. Reasoning that "a woman has a greater claim to preferential treatment over a man," the court argued that the "essential dignity of being a woman conferred by nature itself stands higher in the totem pole of essential values than the social status conferred even by the highest Office of the President." It is an irony that could not have been lost on Estrada, a famous womanizer.

Expectedly, Estrada's defense team has contested the decision.

A day after the anti-graft court ordered the former president to return to his detention house in Fort Sto. Domingo in Laguna, lawyer and former senator Rene Saguisag set the tone when he said his client was "disappointed since many in the community and not only in the political leadership supported house arrest."

In other words, Estrada and his lawyers expected a favorable decision because the house arrest option was a popular one. That is, house arrest was an option favored by both the public (according to a May 4 Pulse Asia survey conducted in Metro Manila, Saguisag said) and several prominent national leaders, including Senate President Aquilino Pimentel Jr., Speaker Feliciano Belmonte and the President herself.

"He had reason to hope," Saguisag said.

Unfortunately, Estrada based his hope on reasons that were either factually flimsy or legally suspect.

The 52-percent support level that the Pulse Asia survey found among Metro Manila residents last May was within the margin of error. The most scientifically sound reading of that poll should have been: About half of the people in Metro Manila back house arrest. By the same token, about half also oppose it. That survey, therefore, is a non-starter.

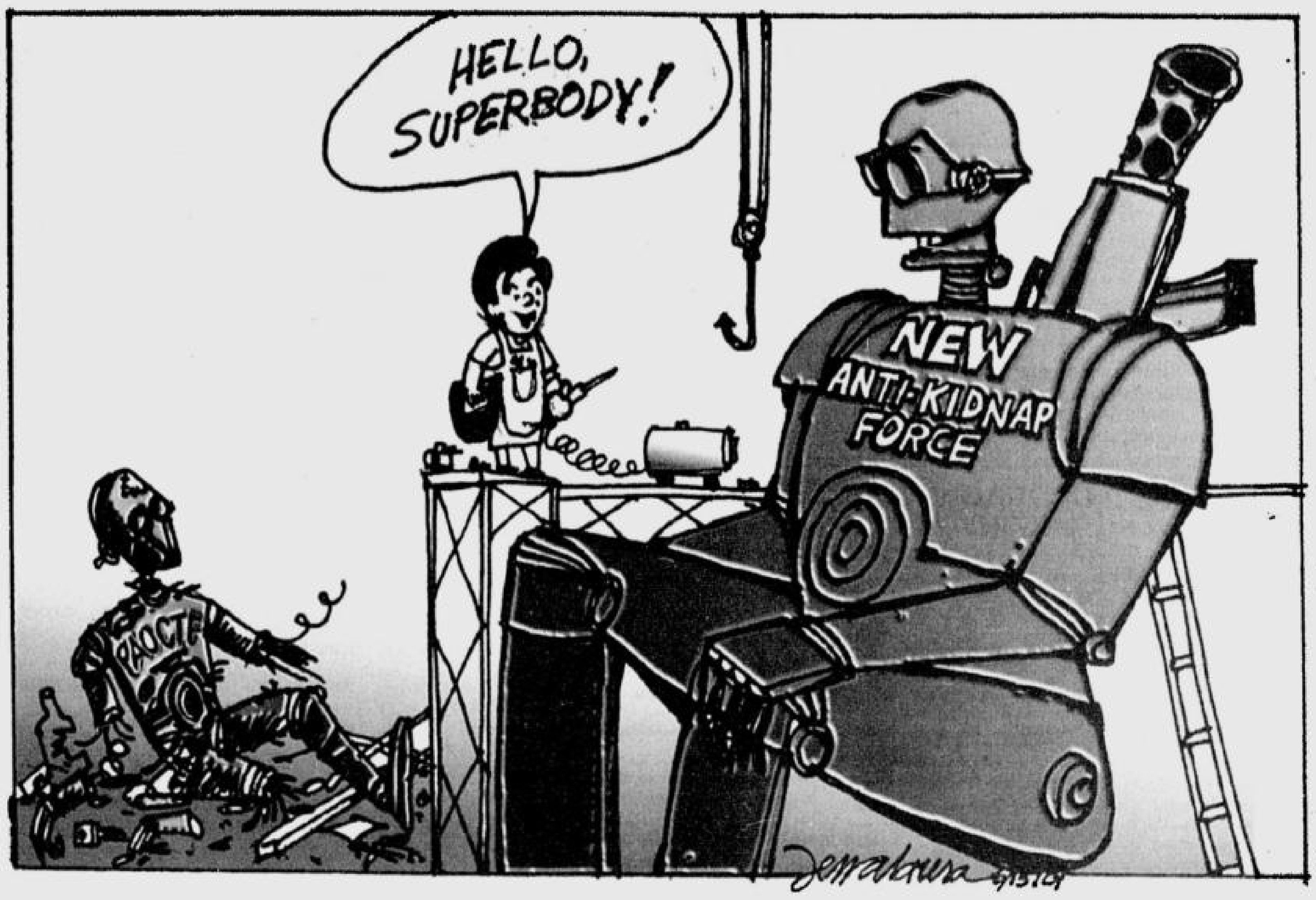
The support from leading political and religious personalities seems a more solid reason. Some weight must be given to the legal arguments offered by lawyers like Pimentel and Sen. Joker Arroyo. Saying that the court can still meet the rationale for preventive detention through the option of house arrest, Pimentel urged the Sandiganbayan "not to create undue tension in the body politic." This proposition is a more benign form of the argument from intimidation employed by Estrada's lawyers, when they argued that, among other things, house arrest would be "acceptable" to the powerful Iglesia ni Cristo. What the defense team has done is to put all these expressions of support together and then claim that the "political leadership" favors house arrest.

To which the proper judicial response is: So what? Even if a clear majority of the public, or most of the country's political and religious leaders, wanted Estrada to be placed under house arrest, the court as an agency of democracy is under no obligation to find for the detainee simply because he has the numbers or the personalities on his side. The judiciary is not a political institution; while the courts must take public welfare and the common good into account every single time they reach a decision, they must decide on the basis of the facts and the law, and not on private pressure or public opinion.

In January, after Edsa II forced Estrada out of office, Saguisag described the second coming of people power as nothing more –and nothing less—than the "gang-rape of democracy."

He added then: "Unless we follow the rules, we will never mature. As a man of the law, I want the game played by the rules."

Would that, in the wake of the Sandiganbayan decision, Saguisag would heed his own words. The rules have been laid down again, as clear as can be. Time to play ball.



JDV already has the numbers for the speakership

PRIVATIZATION is not the biggest danger in the Social Security System. It is already a private company, owned by private sector employees. Although it is controlled by the government, it is not government owned. Even SSS president Vitaliano Nañagas II admits this. So it cannot be sold to the private sector the way the assets of the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System were sold, or the way assets of the National Power Corp. will be sold.

The more immediate danger is the raid being done on SSS funds by its officials. During the term of Carlos Arellano, some SSS vice presidents recommended for themselves merit increases. SSS senior vice presidents now get from P150,000 to P300,000 a month. A secretary in the office of the president receives P113,000 a month. That's much more than the legal salary of the president of the Philippines.

But not all the five senior vice presidents got increases. Only those involved in investments got the bonanza. They are the ones who have to justify risky investments such as those for the notorious Belle Resources owned by an Erap pal. Arellano reportedly granted the increases for obvious reasons. Arellano, by the way, is a boyhood friend of Erap in San Juan; he was appointed to the SSS by Erap who incidentally has many friends who needed investments and loans for their businesses. These particular merit increases are prohibited under the Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act and Arellano and other SSS executives are liable.

But since not all five senior vice presidents got the increases, it is only fair to the others that Nañagas reveal who got the increases, who recommended the increases, who approved and signed the same, and when the increases were given.

I asked Nañagas the identities of the lucky vice presidents but he declined saying "they were still looking into it." Come on, their salaries are public records. You can have these records in 30 minutes. What are you afraid of? You did not give the increases. Your predecessor did. Don't trap yourself in a cover-up.

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

If the SSS management chooses not to be transparent, the Ombudsman and the Senate should lose no time in investigating this scandal.

* * *

"Anybody but Joe" is the battle cry of some congressmen who want to be speaker of the House of Representatives. "Joe" of course is Pangasinan Rep. Joe de Venecia, ex-speaker and ex-future president of the Philippines. He wants to be speaker again, "For the last time," according to him. "This is my last hurrah," he says.

The other aspirants to the speakership are Representatives Carlos Padilla, Boboy Syjuco, Butz Aquino, Butch Abad, Butch Pichay and Vicente Sandoval of Palawan.

They all claim to "have the numbers" to win but they are all really just positioning themselves to get juicy positions in the House. Padilla wants to remain as deputy speaker. Abad wants to be chair of the powerful appropriations committee. Pichay, who had said that one of his barangays in Surigao has more votes than Abad's whole province of Batanes, wants to be chair of the defense committee. Syjuco, a perennial loser in Makati until he moved to Iloilo, will run for anything. I don't know what Aquino and Sandoval want.

But they don't have the numbers. It is De Venecia who has the numbers. Lakas, De Venecia's party, has the most number of congressmen—83, only a few votes shy of the required majority of 130. The second biggest group is the Nationalist People's Coalition with 48, the third is LDP with 22, and the fourth is the Liberal Party with 20.

De Venecia claims that with his 83 Lakas votes as base, he has already secured the commitment of more than enough congressmen to win the speakership. So don't believe all the propaganda of his rivals. If the number of congressmen trooping in and out of his Magallanes Village home is any gauge, De Venecia indeed has them.

And if you consider that De Venecia is the choice of his former running mate, President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, then you can say that "*tapos na ang boksing.*"

* * *

Here's an update on the fireflies in the park, which a lot of people are asking about.

They were still there on Wednesday night, much less now (maybe it's because it didn't rain on Wednesday or maybe many of them have died). But a good number of them were concentrated around a tree, with synchronized flashing lights, again making the tree a Christmas tree. (Others were scattered among the other trees.) I don't know the species of the tree, but it has clusters of elongated leaves. On previous nights, as I wrote in previous columns, they had clustered around a *guyabano* tree, a pine tree and a mango tree. And, a long time ago in a Tarlac, Tarlac barrio, I saw a flowering *pandakaki* bush brightly lit up by fireflies. The old folk there said the fireflies were there because there was a *nuno sa punso* under the bush.

On words

PRESIDENT Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo has used the term "decimate" to describe the government's intentions with respect to the Abu Sayyaf terrorists. What the President intended to convey is the sense found in the words "annihilate," "exterminate" and "obliterate." Although the word "decimate" is commonly used in the same sense, it doesn't mean quite the same thing.

The prefix "deci" is the giveaway. Historically, the Romans decimated rebel towns by calling its unfortunate citizens forth and executing every tenth man. Strictly speaking, decimating the Abu Sayyaf, although hurtful to them, would still leave them with 90 percent of their forces intact. Even using the word in a more liberal sense than 10 percent would leave many terrorists still standing. If we wish to say that a group has been savaged but remains intact, we may use decimate. If we mean eliminate, that and other words of similar meaning are better used.

Although it may seem like it, I am not picking—really, nitpicking—on the President's speechwriters today. I had long intended to do a column on editing and words and this opening seemed an appropriate way to begin making my points. Like all lawyers, I will add a disclaimer. I make far more than my share of grammatical and typographical errors and am always thankful for the ministrations of my eagle-eyed editors.

But there are disagreements. On occasion, I read my piece after it is published on this page and am puzzled by the editing choice, but defer to the judgment of the person proofreading it. A very few times will find me in open revolt—well, not so open—with reactions ranging from sending muted protests by e-mail to pacing around the floor at home for a minute, muttering under my breath that someone doesn't know what he or she is doing. But then perhaps they do and so I settle down and, in any case, the world wags on. Hence this column.

Its message is simple. I do take care with my writing. But even Nasa occasionally blows up a rocket or two, and I'm no Nasa. I get irritated about being treated at times like a third-grade English student although I do make first-grade mistakes from time to time, as when my subjects and predicates don't agree. But sometimes, just sometimes, the correction itself is the mistake and it isn't mine.

WINDMILLS

Jerry Barican

Then there are differences of opinion or style. Take "media." I am a recalcitrant who prefers the collective singular form. Thus, "media is," not "media are." True, in Latin, "media" is plural and "medium" is singular. But we don't necessarily march to the beat of that Latin drum. As Bill Bryson notes in "Troublesome Words," we do not say "I've just paid two insurance premia" nor "My stamina aren't what they used to be."

"Data" is a similar problem, a word where we perceive the whole rather than its parts. And while we are at it, "news" was once similarly treated by purists as plural, hence the famous 19th century telegram sent by an editor to his reporter, "Are there any news?" to which reportedly came the reply, "No, not a single damn new." I realize I'm one of the last holdouts in the usage of "media" as singular. The majority is almost certainly right in this case because "medium" is used widely (as in "the medium of television") whereas datum hardly ever is. That leaves me an eccentric but I trust not the fool.

Last year I e-mailed my editors this short note: "Noticed you edited 'misconclusions' into 'wrong conclusions' in today's column, 'Firebells in the Night.' The 'Compact Oxford English Dictionary,' 2nd Edition, 1991, reprinted 1992, on Page 1090, defines 'misconclusion' as 'a wrong or false conclusion.' It even cites its use by noted writers beginning with John Donne. I may assume then that the word was properly used by me." My editors, as you can see, keep me on my toes, and I am thankful.

One never ceases learning. The books of Bill Bryson on language, including "Mother Tongue: English And How It Got That Way" are fun and have the great advantage of being available at local bookstores. "Mother Tongue" is full of tales about the origin of words. Shakespeare, we find out for instance, invented "critical," "frugal," "hint," "hurry" and some 1,700 other words.

Bryson gives advice on splitting the infinitive. There are, he says, two reasons not to: because you feel English should conform to the rules of Latin, which died a thousand years ago, and because you want to cling to a pointless affectation of usage that is without the support of any recognized authority of the last 200 years, even at the cost of composing sentences that are ambiguous, inelegant and patently contorted. Thank you sir, for saying that.

There are warnings against jargon, as in this beauty: a conference of sociologists in America in 1977 defined love as "the cognitive-affective state characterized by intrusive and obsessive fantasizing concerning reciprocity of amorant feelings by the object of the amorance." And so forth.

It is gratifying to learn that the "ruth" in "ruthless" means compassion, or useful to find out that the uncommonly used "ugsome," meaning disgusting, exists. But the last word should be those of the venerable French grammarian Dominique Bonhours "who proved on his deathbed that a grammarian's work is never done when he turned to those gathered loyally around him and whispered: 'I am about to—or I am going to—die; either expression is used."

'Civil society': mandate from heaven

ANALYSIS

Amando Doronila

IN THE RUN-UP to the election of the new Speaker of the House, "civil society" is again meddling to favor certain candidates over others, and is even trying to define the norms of President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's "new politics."

Former Speaker Jose de Venecia, according to his propaganda machine, is touted to be a front-runner for the speakership, but his bid should not be assessed on the basis of the noise generated by his backers. De Venecia, of Lakas, is reported to have sealed a pact with the Nationalist People's Coalition (NPC) of Eduardo "Danding" Cojuangco whose party, according to the latest election count, has bagged at least 80 seats in the 200-plus House. Lakas has won more than a hundred seats, and any candidate for Speaker who gets the support of these two blocs should be a shoo-in.

De Venecia, who won heavily in his district in Pangasinan, has been campaigning very early for a comeback as Speaker, but this is a new Congress and there are new demands on the sitting government of President Macapagal. And so, if De Venecia's organizing and consensus talents were useful to galvanize support for President Ramos' legislative agenda, such talents may not necessarily be useful to President Macapagal. What I'm saying is that the President and the new Congress should not be stampeded into a bandwagon based on the noise made by the De Venecia camp.

Since President Macapagal has articulated the need for "new politics" that eschews tradpol values—which De Venecia incarnates—the President might have to think very hard about whether her values and those of De Venecia's are compatible, and whether De Venecia might be a heavy baggage weighing down the implementation of her "new politics." I wish to emphasize that I am not expressing a preference for any aspirant for the speakership, but it's best that the House elects its leader with eyes open. One of the worst political decisions Fidel Ramos had ever made was in backing De Venecia for president against Vice President Joseph Estrada in 1998.

Estrada massacred De Venecia, but despite Estrada's popularity, there were choices open for a coalition of opposition presidential candidates with a standard-bearer who had better chances of winning than De Venecia. De Venecia may have a gift for securing consensus, but it can't be said he is the only one in Congress capable of consensus-building. The House has other options for electing its Speaker, and the choice is not pre-ordained.

Danding Cojuangco has emerged as a kingmaker in the new House. His role is like that of the Lopez brothers in the pre-martial law two-party system. Don Eugenio Lopez backed a bloc of congressmen—amorphously called the "Sugar bloc"—which gave him a muscle to influence political decisions of the presidency.

The De Venecia bandwagon and Cojuangco's kingmaker position are not exactly "new politics" which, in principle, means doing away with family dynasties and distributing power in the House more democratically. From a superficial scanning of the composition of the new House, a large part of its seats is occupied by old political families who constitute the who's who in provincial and regional politics.

In these circumstances, it is hard to tell where "civil society" is situated. We don't know exactly what "civil society" means or who are its authentic voices and members.

There are as many "civil society" voices as there are non-government organizations composing it. Some groups claiming to speak for "civil society" meddle in the selection of Cabinet members, and even in the internal affairs of Congress, based on their unilateral prescription of the correct political values for the "new politics."

To be sure, "civil society" played an important role in the People Power Revolution of 1986 and in the 2001 ouster of President Estrada, and what we understand is that "civil society" stands for good governance. Under this definition, anything that espouses values such as storming the presidential palace to protest the jailing of Estrada and to replace President Macapagal with an Estrada restoration isn't civil society. In this context, "civil society" has become an exclusionary term that embraces mainly middle-class based groups adhering to middle-class values of polity and changing governments. Under these norms, the mob that attacked Malacañang on May 1 is not civil society—it is something else.

But the use of people power as the battering ram of civil society to effect political change is exceeding safe bounds for democracy. People Power I and II were unleashed for profound political objectives—remove from power two presidents (Marcos and Estrada) who abused power and who used the presidency to extract huge amounts of wealth for personal accumulation. But the question of profound causes to justify the trivialization of people is not what other members of civil society understand it to be. Civil society members—or those who claim they are, anyway—have come to believe that they have a mandate from heaven to go to the streets in a manifestation of "people power" if they don't like the way Raul Roco runs the education department, Dick Gordon runs the tourism department, or the way the Supreme Court and the Sandiganbayan mark time in making decisions on volatile political issues.

Civil society, which believes that it has a franchise on the correct political values, didn't approve of the appointment of Gen. Lisandro Abadia as chief of the National Security Council. So its more outspoken members protested, and Abadia was given the flick because President Macapagal was afraid she would alienate her civil society constituency. Since there are hundreds of voices speaking for civil society, President Macapagal cannot accommodate all of them without being hostage to them. If the noises of civil society rising from the din of the post-Erap transition mean anything at all, it is that institutions have to be made to work again to contain these anarchic impulses.

Too much, too little

COMMENTARY

Caroline S. Hau

STUNG by long-standing rumors of her alleged anti-Sinicism, President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo has been working assiduously to allay the misgivings of an ethnic community made apprehensive by her appointment, amid vocal opposition by prominent Chinese-Filipinos, of Reynaldo Berroya as head of intelligence and Leandro Mendoza as chief of the Philippine National Police.

She has embarked on a series of well-publicized dialogues with Chinese-Filipino business leaders, and judicious forays into Chinatown that include sitting down to lunch at the President Restaurant and attending flag-raising ceremonies at the St. Stephen's High School.

Not since Corazon Cojuangco-Aquino has a Philippine president made much ado about her Chinese heritage, acquired, in Ms Macapagal's case, through marriage to a *mestizo* descendant of one Son Tua. Aware, perhaps, of the fact that repeated references to one's Chinese lineage do not necessarily preclude an anti-Chinese stance (for, historically speaking, Chinese *mestizos* have been among the most prominent anti-Chinese Filipinos), Ms Macapagal has taken more "concrete" action, stating, for example, her intention of instituting a Filipino-Chinese Friendship Day, dedicating a monument to China-born revolutionary general Jose Ignacio Paua, and asking the Commission on Higher Education to include Mandarin in the list of optional languages taught in colleges and universities.

This publicity blitz would seem to be capped by her signing into law Republic Act No. 9138 (the Administrative Naturalization Law), which seeks to cut through the judicial red tape that has made the acquisition of Filipino citizenship an exceedingly long and tedious process for Philippine-born Chinese who make up the bulk of the alien population in this country.

Media pundits have tended to read Ms Macapagal's PR campaign as a conciliatory gesture aimed at winning over the Chinese-Filipino businessmen who appear to have close connections to ousted President Joseph Estrada and his political allies. This oft-repeated explanation provides only a small, and extremely distorting, fragment of a far more complex picture of Chinese-Filipino realities. What it has done is to needlessly play up and exaggerate, the activities of a tiny minority of Chinese-Filipinos, much as racists are wont to generalize about "rich Chinese" or "predatory Muslims" (or, for that matter, "irrational Filipino masses") from the appearance and action of an unrepresentative segment of its population.

What is missing from the reportage is any sense of the deep socio-economic divisions that separate the haves from the have-nots even within the seemingly prosperous and homogeneous ethnic Chinese community.

Nowhere is this division more empathically underscored, yet at the same time completely glossed over, than by the above-mentioned Administrative Naturalization Law (ANL).

RA 9318—the two-year-old brainchild of a Philippine government saddled with a hugely bloated budget deficit—is actually a money-making scheme that is the kissing cousin of the notorious Alien Social Integration Act (ASIA), signed by Fidel Ramos during his presidency, which sought to grant permanent residency status (to facilitate the eventual application for citizenship) to illegal aliens in exchange for payment of processing fees totaling P200,000.

One may argue, of course, that the P40,000 "processing fee" as well as the P100,000 "naturalization fee" required by the ANL is a much-discounted rate. Although both laws target aliens with different legal statuses, they are essentially alike in their commodification of Filipino citizenship, and their assumption that the Chinese can and should pay for the privilege of acquiring citizenship. By putting a steep price on citizenship, ANL and ASIA work to ensure that citizenship will effectively remain out of reach by all but the most well-to-do among the Chinese.

In this sense, the actions of the Philippine state ironically parallel those of the kidnappers who treat the Chinese as nothing more than milking cows, literal sources and personifications of money.

Blithely ignoring the plight of numerous indigent Chinese, the poverty-stricken *lannang* who make up an increasingly visible and significant portion of the ethnic Chinese community, the ANL is content to repeat the age-old truism, taken as God-given truth, that all Chinese are rich. It is a stereotype that some of the relatively well-off Chinese-Filipinos and the Chinese-Filipino organizations that claim to speak on behalf of the interests of the "entire" community, have also colluded in reinforcing.

Such blindness is echoed in the elevation of Paua, a general in Emilio Aguinaldo's army, to the emblematic position of Chinese-Filipino hero. Paua's consecration as Philippine hero is bound to be controversial because of heated contestation over the historical standing of his immediate superior, Aguinaldo, whose reputation has been irreparably tainted by his murderous conflict with Andres Bonifacio.

Paua's reputation is especially fragile because of his role as Aguinaldo's "fund-raiser" and as the officer whom Aguinaldo entrusted with the unhappy task of arresting the luckless Bonifacio.

Ms Macapagal will do well in her choice of a far less controversial, if not more deserving, hero—namely, the ordinary Chinese who fought alongside Filipinos and sacrificed their lives in the resistance struggle against the invading Japanese during World War II. More important, she will do well to remember that it is in serving the poor—Chinese-Filipinos among them—and not wooing the rich that her political survival and historical reputation ultimately rest.

Caroline S. Hau is associate professor of Southeast Asian studies at the Kyoto University. She studied at the University of the Philippines and Cornell University, where she obtained her Ph.D. She is the author of "Necessary Fictions," put out by the Ateneo Press.

Ricarte in Japan

LOOKING BACK

Ambeth R. Ocampo

THIS week I was hard-pressed to find topics that would cover either Independence Day or the first day of school or both. I have not done extensive work on the Philippine Revolution since the 1998 Centennial Countdown on Page 1 of this newspaper, now I have to open books and notes again because I am teaching a graduate class on the Philippine Revolution at the Far Eastern University, deep in the congested heart of the so-called "University Belt" in downtown Manila. Caught in traffic, I kept thinking of a column topic as I watched a multitude of students last Wednesday walking past vendors hawking used textbooks, old term papers (you can choose topics from a list with prices depending on length and, I presume, quality), and even college diplomas from your choice of school and course.

When I got home I opened my notes on the 1926 Free Press to find only two stray articles on education. Surely, there were more articles, but the two that caught my attention were actually "praise releases" about the Muñoz Agricultural School in Nueva Ecija where students literally worked in the fields for degrees in agriculture. The article titled "Who said Filipino students are Señoritos," bragged about the entrance requirements for the school which were more physical than academic. First, the candidate must lift a 57-kilo sack of rice, then do some weeding under the sun, tilling of muddy soil and mixing concrete. All the better to maintain all 657 hectares of the school. I presume that not even UP Los Baños has these stringent physical requirements. Another article on the school was a feature on a Thai prince who also worked his way through a degree in a school that gave, literally, hands-on experience.

My old notes also had material on Artemio Ricarte (a.k.a. Vibora or The Viper), the revolutionary general who lived in Japan and returned to the Philippines during the war. Ricarte is the subject of a novel-in-progress by newly minted National Artist for Literature F. Sionil Jose and I think the material I dug up may add some color to his narrative. Students of the Philippine Revolution go through Ricarte's memoirs which are available in English and Filipino. The pre-war edition was published in Yokohama where Ricarte and his Japanese wife ran a *turo-turo* known as the Karihan Café. According to the 1926 Free Press article, the Café was in one of the ugliest parts of Yokohama surrounded by Chinese eateries. This Café was also Ricarte's home from where he made regular trips to Tokyo to teach Spanish. Ricarte said, "Between the job of a caterer and of a schoolmaster, I manage to get on. I won't say I am well off but I'm content, and what more does a mortal man need?"

In the Café was a shrine to Filipino patriots—portraits of Jose Rizal and Andres Bonifacio sat quietly together in a corner adorned with fresh flowers by Ms Ricarte. The general was said to sit here and contemplate on these two great Filipinos for hours. On Bonifacio Day, Nov. 30 and Rizal Day, Dec. 30 each year, Ricarte and expatriate Filipinos would hold a simple service to remember the glories of the past. Aguinaldo's photograph was not in the shrine—he was still alive and kicking in 1926—Ricarte was not too fond of him. A normally quiet man, Ricarte was a difficult subject to interview unless you got him excited over a topic like Aguinaldo to get quotes like: "Aguinaldo! That man is dancing to the tunes [US Governor] General Wood is playing. Why, I really can't understand his motives. He and Wood seem to be in cahoots. Aguinaldo! Aguinaldo! I'm afraid he prefers personal ambition to the welfare of his country."

Being an expatriate, Ricarte was partial to Philippine music. One of the records he regularly played had the Philippine National Anthem. When this was on the phonograph, Ms Ricarte would bring out a doll dressed in Filipina clothes, start to croon, cradling the doll like a baby. I wonder if they had children, but Ricarte said his wife made a dress for this doll every day remarking, "*Nihon kimono dammé; Filipino kimono kirei* (Japanese kimono no good, Filipino kimono beautiful)." Another article shows Ricarte moved to tears upon hearing Atang de la Rama sing *kundimans* in Yokohama. Aling Atang was then en route to Honolulu for a concert tour and dropped by the Ricarte café. The general said, "Atang, this is the first time in a long time since I heard our *kundiman*. Proceed on your trip so that other nations and the whites will know our capacity for all kinds of occupations, and also that we have artists that we can be proud of."

Ricarte expressed the opinion that Japan would not annex the Philippines—in this he was sadly wrong—but then he ended the interview with these words: "I am content. I am not rich, but I am satisfied. I breathe the air of a free country. How can I go back home, how can I be so inconsistent when I fought America! But one day the flag of my country will fly by right, not by sufferance. Then my beautiful Philippines will be free and I can look any man in the face. Then I shall go home." He was brought home by the Japanese during the war and tarnished his reputation.

***

Comments are welcome at ambeth@admu.edu.ph

FSJ

HIGH BLOOD

Gloria Garchitorena-Goloy

WE'D also like to know the concerns of the sixtysomething and above, what makes their blood pressure rise or makes them sit back, content that all's well with their world and with themselves. **—Ed.**

FSJ, of course, is Francisco Sionil Jose or F. Sionil Jose, the novelist (and publisher, critic, humanist, as well) who has finally been named National Artist for Literature.

I remember him best by those initials which were the tagline that appeared at the end of essays and features he wrote for the Varsitarian when we were staff members of the University of Sto. Tomas' publication during the years 1947-1949. It was his way of indicating what, to him was required output by virtue of his position as assistant literary editor, literary editor and, eventually, news editor, and marking his imprimatur on his more valuable literary production as short story writer and novelist with the now famous F. Sionil Jose byline. But even then, reading FSJ's "trivia" was a guarantee that one would be reading incisive ideas that set one to thinking—and wishing one had thought of them first. That early, I was already an admirer of FSJ's writing ability.

In the Varsitarian, he also wrote under a pseudonym, Ama Isko, in a column in the V's magazine section where he sounded off on topics that would have warmed the heart of today's militant championing the nationalistic cause. Yet, he found time from his Varsitarian responsibilities (as well as his curricular requirements) to produce short stories in which the venerable literary guru, Paz Latorena, discerned great promise eventually confirmed through the years.

It was during our involvement with the V, (he as news editor and myself as literary editor tasked to put out the V magazine) that I got to work with him closely. Our responsibilities kept us busy in the UST printing press, putting the publication to bed, sometimes staying late into the night to ensure its release on schedule.

One incident I particularly relish recalling was when I was closing the literary magazine and I discovered I still had one blank page and I had no material available to fill it with. I was almost in tears. FSJ saw my predicament and he said, "Don't worry." And forthwith he sat down before the dilapidated typewriter of the *imprenta* and started typing away like mad. Every now and then, he would break out in song, jogging a knee while he pounded rhythmically on the keys. In less than 10 minutes, he had filled up two pages of manuscript. No, he didn't put his initials FSJ on it.

That incident taught me a basic lesson in writing: that the only way to write is to, well, sit down and prepare to write, to initiate a beginning and all the rest of what you wish to say will follow. The procedure is arduous, as many a writer has found out, sometimes getting one's innards all knotted up before one can even go beyond the first paragraph. By his example, he showed how one must start somehow, bringing to bear on the effort the commitment to work the piece to its logical end.

Remembering now all the stories, the novels, the articles and commentaries FSJ has produced through the years, one must imagine how many times he must have agonized with every beginning.

It is in considering this gargantuan production that one realizes how truly FSJ deserves the National Artist award. I doubt if any Filipino writer can equal his output, much less have his works translated in so many languages. It is really a wonder that FSJ should have been begrudged the award twice. It seems the man invites hostile opinion, much of it resulting from his own acerbic statements about other writers/artists and their works

On a personal note, I can say that FSJ is, at heart, a kind man. One who can write about so much tragedy and adversities in his novels must surely have a heart holding a deep reservoir of goodness and goodwill.

I remember when I was working with him on the 1959 Progress Report of the Manila Times. He had recommended me for the job and though I was four months pregnant with my fourth child, I took it after having been out of circulation since my marriage. (Subsequently, I was taken in as staff member of the Sunday Times Magazine, so FSJ was somehow instrumental in my getting into the Manila Times workforce.)

The Progress work was a tough job. We had less than three months to produce the yearbook, so we were practically racing against time. I had to keep up with the fast-paced tempo of work, calling up the contributors, reading and editing manuscripts, proofreading, caption-writing, following up work at the composing room which was located four floors below, checking the layouts, etc. It got to be so I had become edgy and when one afternoon he told me off about an oversight, I just got up and called it quits. Imagine my surprise when, coming home that night after going to church where I cried my heart out, I learned from my mother that FSJ had come around asking for me to go back to work, saying he was sorry about what had happened. To make a long story short, I did go back and we finished the yearbook on time.

And who else did I pick to be the godfather of my son but good old FSJ!

I lost track of him in the ensuing years. It was my daughter Angelina who picked up from where I left off. She got an assignment from Julie Yap Daza's People Magazine to write about FSJ and later worked briefly for him at the Solidaridad. Through her, FSJ gave me copies of his novels, signing his dedication with, what else, FSJ!

Then we lost touch again, especially after my family moved out to Taytay from Paco. But when my son, an epileptic-retardate died in February 1997, shortly after moving to Taytay, FSJ surprised me when he showed up at the wake at the Paco parish mortuary. He had come with Tessie, saying he had read the obit and he just had to come to see the godson he never saw grow up. Before he left, Tessie handed me a condolence card containing a couple of bills inside, a hefty sum. So who says Ilocanos are *kuripot*? Not this man who is rich in kindness and remembering!

Later that year, at the book launching of my "A Housewife in the World of Sports," to coincide with my 70th birthday celebration, FSJ came again. He came with a gift, a cloth-bound flower-printed journal.

I remembered this journal again today, as I write this. Earlier I had read about how FSJ keeps one such journal on hand so he could jot down thoughts he could use for future works.

I went to the bookshelf to look for my own journal which I had been keeping for more than three years now, like a treasured souvenir. I flipped it open. There was not a single line on it. Yet.

Maybe, just maybe, I should now start to fill it up...

Gloria Garchitorena-Goloy, 73, is a retired journalist, formerly with the Sunday Times Magazine.

THEY SAID

Out there fighting

"He did not have to be there...He was a councilor-elect. He could just have watched the action but he opted to be out there, to fight it out and defend Lamitan from the Abu Sayyaf."

—National Security Adviser Roilo Golez on the death of retired Lt. Col. Fernando Bajet who fought the Abu Sayyaf and killed one of its leaders

Ready for the presidency

"In the past, I think she was just following the wind of history but now she is becoming more determined to get a political objective. I think she is determined now to become the president of Indonesia."

—Analyst Kusnanto Anggoro on Vice President Megawati Sukarnoputri

The INQUIRER is a member of the
PHILIPPINE PRESS INSTITUTE
The National Association of Philippine Newspapers

Pearl Harbors

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

THE GREAT thing about “Peal Harbor,” the movie, is that it has sparked some interest among the youth about the things that happened in World War II. Several of them, including my own kids, have been asking me lately what happened during the Japanese Occupation—my 12-year-old boy, in particular, who cannot seem to reconcile himself to the thought that his favorite source of animé was a former enemy of this country.

I remember in this respect my own reaction when I was about that age, or perhaps younger, to the idea that the Americans had once been our enemy. Having been bombarded by John Wayne and Fernando Poe Jr. movies depicting Americans and Filipinos fighting a heroic war of resistance against the Japanese, and indeed having heard the old folks talk with awe about the way the Americans liberated us, I could not for the life of me imagine how we ever came to be at odds with America. Since I could not disbelieve my elementary school teacher when she said it was so (she had papal infallibility written all over her), I had to find another explanation. A friend of mine, slightly older than me, supplied it. If true, he said, then we must have done something really stupid to piss off the Americans.

It was only later that I would learn you did not have to do anything stupid to piss off conquerors enough to conquer you.

In any case, I've told the people who've been asking lately about what happened during the Japanese Occupation that not everyone who has white hair was born at that time. My knowledge of it, like theirs, is confined to what I've read and heard. There is no lack of material on the subject for those who are interested. I do know, I told my recent interrogators, that the day Pearl Harbor was attacked, Dec. 7, 1941, was the eve of Immaculate Conception, which used to be celebrated with much religious fervor in this country. It struck fear in the hearts of churchgoers, who—rightly—predicted that the Japanese invasion was imminent.

Japanese planes roared over Philippine skies a few days later and swiftly routed the American forces in the Philippines. Before Christmas of that year, the Japanese flag was flying all over Luzon, the Bataan defenders having been crushed and made to do the Death March and the Americans having fled and taken a deathly silence—to be broken only years later by the loud squeaking of Douglas MacArthur's wet shoes on the shores of Leyte. Christmas that year was the most miserable one this country ever had. Which would be the beginning of three years of Japanese rule—“Tatlong Taong Walang Diyos (Three Years without God),” the movie, starring Christopher de Leon (as a Japanese officer) and Nora Aunor, called it. It was so in more ways than one.

I am glad that “Pearl Harbor” is reviving memories of it. Particularly in a country notorious for not being able to remember the events of 30 years ago—few people now know, or care, what happened during martial law. Or indeed the events even of 15 years ago: The Edsa Revolution now sounds pretty much like the echoes of receding footsteps in the corridor. The events of 60 years ago—has it been that long?—must seem like the Middle Ages to most of us. To appreciate the divide is to think of 1901 from the perspective of 1961. That musically is the difference between the Beatles and the *kundiman*. Today's divide is just as awesome: Musically, too, the difference between 2001 and 1941 is the difference between Puff Daddy and Glenn Miller. That we should be inveigled into reaching out to that long a past—it's not a bad deal altogether.

It is good enough that “Pearl Harbor” is reviving memories among the old, and pricking curiosity among the young, about what happened 60 years ago. But it would be even better if we could go past nostalgia or MTV-type flashes of the war and tried to explore some of its nuances or complexities. The movie itself suggests this, if unwittingly. I did, quite incidentally, thoroughly enjoy it, with its romantic interludes serving as poignant counterpoint to “Saving Private Ryan”-type depictions of war. Some parts of it were truly awesome: There were scenes during the attack on Pearl Harbor that looked like oil paintings, planes buzzing like mosquitoes from all sides, smoke billowing from the hulls of capsized ships, and blue water shimmering in the sun. But as I was saying, the movie itself, by sparking memories of the Pacific War also raises some nagging questions about it. Which the youth of today, or even the senior citizens of today, may also wish to think about.

Chief among them how the United States truly—and quite monstrously—retaliated for the bombing of Pearl Harbor. That was **not** through the suicide bombing of Tokyo the following year by a group of American pilots, which became known as Operation Doolittle, which the movie dramatizes. That was through the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by the United States after the war had already been won. Which the movie does not show. That was the thought that kept nagging at the back of my mind while I was watching its spectacular recreation of the Pearl Harbor attack, an arguably dastardly deed that claimed the lives of more than 3,000 American servicemen.

The movie quite graphically captures the depth of the atrocity, particularly with the deaths of characters we have come to identify with. But for the same reason, you wonder how a movie would also depict the slaughter of innocents that was the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings. Those bombings did not merely kill 3,000 people, they killed tens of thousands of people, mostly women and children. The descriptions of the effects of those bombings are mind-boggling: People within the outer limits of the bombs' effective radius had their skins instantly peeled off from them. You wonder how a people who have seen tragedy of the scale portrayed in “Pearl Harbor” could not possibly have learned from it. Enough to not want to wreak it—least of all, a hundredfold—even on one's enemy, or his kin.

Wouldn't it be something we could persuade Filipinos to go beyond remembering and ask questions like this? Indeed, wouldn't it be something if we could persuade Filipinos to go beyond celebrating Bataan to ask questions about America's own Pearl Harbors, including the one called Samar?

* * *

Comments are welcome at dequiros@vasia.com

Settling for second best

LETTERS

THE FOLLOWING is a “rejoinder” to the editorial titled “Amazing” published in the May 15, 2001 issue of the INQUIRER.

I could have agreed with the editorial 100 percent but for the last paragraph: “Something has got to be said in praise of our faith in democracy, and that it is by far the best of all possible political systems. Because it mandates a government and governance of, by and for the people. Which Lincolnian classic has defined the highest aspirations of the Filipino from the moment Spanish invaders trampled his sacred shores.”

To say a word of praise for the Lincolnian type of democracy is tantamount to saying that it is the ideal, the preferred democracy we aspire to attain. To aspire is one thing. To attain is another story. To aspire we can do, but to attain I think is an impossible dream in the face of crisis after crisis and the presence of a Damocles sword over our heads in the near-miss Edsa III.

We praise a democracy that is “by far the best of all political systems.” That democracy mandates a government and governance of, by and for the people. And also mandates a government and governance by the people which, given the prospect of a successful Edsa III, is a dreadful thought indeed.

There is a basic defect in the Filipino psyche, in the Filipino mind. He is quick to subscribe to the ideal democracy presented by Abraham Lincoln and enjoys and practices the privileges and benefits. But he conveniently shies away from or deliberately avoids the duties and the responsibilities associated with and implicit in such democracy. And nobody is complaining.

To illustrate what we mean by the unique Filipino psyche—it took four long years of Japanese occupation during World War II to force the Filipino to toe the line, “*walang siksikan, walang singitan sa pila,*” which at the beginning necessitated the readiness of the Japanese guard to poke his bayonet at the Filipino's rib to exact obedience.

After Edsa III, I came to dread People Power movements of any kind—snap elections, referenda. People Power Edsas are becoming a bad habit. Resorting to mass action every time there is a national crisis invalidates constitutional processes.

Like the grasshopper in the fable which went prancing all day long while the ants were occupied scrounging for food in preparation for the coming rainy season, we go about doing our Edsas every 10 to 15 years while our wiser neighbors do their thing and march down the road to prosperity, self-sufficiency and self fulfillment. It is little wonder we are retrogressing or remaining at the lowest rung in the ladder of success. We have hit rock-bottom.

That is why I say that we are not ready for the Lincoln brand of democracy we all aspire for. And until we are mature enough to take the duties and responsibilities implicit in that democracy, we must be content with the second best.

For once we should be honest with ourselves even if it hurts. We should heed the admonition of Aristotle to “know thyself.” With this knowledge comes the dawn of wisdom. With that knowledge is the realization that People Power Edsas cannot rescue us from the mire we are in. Much of the appeal and glamour of mass movements wane soon enough.

When that time comes to pass we can safely include the third ingredient in the best political system that we all aspire for and that is government and governance by the people.—**ANTONIO N. FENIX, 30 Sacred Heart St., Horseshoe Village, Cubao, QC**

Specials of the Month

PANASONIC Mini Compo w/ VCD FREE alarm clock ONLY P11998
SHARP Washing Machine FREE cover ONLY P3210
LG Microwave Oven FREE coffee set ONLY P3990
AIWA VHS Player FREE t-shirt ONLY P2190
Rainbow VCD Player FREE VCD ONLY P2990
Changhong Colored TV 14" Reg. Price: P6185 NOW P4998
KELVINATOR Aircon (1 HP) FREE alarm clock ONLY P11900
LG Color TV 20" FREE umbrella ONLY P6680
SONY Walkman with am/fm radio ONLY P1390
SHARP Ref. 6 cu. ft. FREE backpack ONLY P8288
SONY CD Walkman ONLY P4999

50% OFF Victoria 3-pc. Sofa Set Before: P17990 NOW P8995
50% OFF Bookcase w/ glass and cabinet Before: P3790 P1895
50% OFF Colorado 3-pc. Sofa Set in leatherette Before: P13990 NOW P6995
50% OFF Criselda (1) 3-seater, (1) 2-seater Sofa Set w/ 5 throwpillows Before: P15990 NOW P7995
50% OFF Clerical Table Before: P3790 P1895

HALF YEAR HALF-PRICE
up to 50% OFF
PROMO PERIOD: JUNE 15 - JULY 15, 2001

50% OFF Entertainment Center Before: P3796 NOW P1898
50% OFF ST 2001 Study Table (chair not included) Before: P3590 NOW P1795
50% OFF Computer Table Before: P2990 NOW P1495
50% OFF NGN 2310 Dresser w/ stool Before: P4990 NOW P2495
50% OFF Dining Set for six Before: P15990 NOW P7995
50% OFF BR 31200 Chest of Drawers Before: P2990 NOW P1495
50% OFF C-type Bed 36 x 54 x 75 w/ 2 pcs. cushion Before: P13990 NOW P6995
50% OFF Wardrobe Cabinet Before: P3996 NOW P1998

More items available
UP TO 50% DISCOUNT
GARMENTS HOUSEWARE
GIFT SUGGESTIONS
SMALL ELECTRONICS
SMALL APPLIANCES
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1826 Series of 2001

SOGO GIANT FACTORY OUTLET

SOGO GIANT FACTORY OUTLET
EDSA near cor. Pioneer St.
Mandaluyong City
Tel. Nos. 633-6634 & 36
SOGO FACTORY OUTLET
Ali Mall Complex cor. P. Tuazon St.
Araneta Center, Cubao, Q.C.
Tel. Nos. 912-6004 to 06 /
911-5772 / 912-2986
SOGO HOME & OFFICE CENTER
Quezon Bargain Arcade Gen.
Malvar Ave. cor. Gen. Araneta Ave.
Araneta Center Cubao Q.C.
Tel. Nos. [illegible]

SOGO HOME & OFFICE CENTER
Level 3, Expansion Mall, Madison Blvd.
Robinsons Galleria,
EDSA cor. Ortigas Ave., Q.C.
Tel. Nos. 632-0673 & 74 / 635-4746
SOGO HOME & OFFICE CENTER
Level 2, Glorietta 1, Ayala Center
Makati City
Tel. Nos. 867-2362 to 63
SOGO HOME & OFFICE CENTER
Level 2, Festival Supermall
Filinvest, Alabang, Muntinlupa City
Tel. Nos. 850-3535 to [illegible]

BEST BUYS AT FACTORY PRICES EVERYDAY!

Regent Cakes, Sa Recess Time at Merienda, Paborito Ni Serena
PANDAN CAKE
MOCCA CAKE
Chocolate Cake
Custard Cake
MELON CAKE
MOCCA CAKE
STRAWBERRY CAKE
UBE CAKE

Sa araw-araw na pasok niya sa eskuwela, may delightful treat siyang kasama, Regent Cakes. May delightful Mocca, Strawberry at Melon na, may yummy Chocolate, Custard, Lemon, Ube at Pandan pa.
That's eight exciting flavors in a light, delectable sponge cake.

Regent Cakes. Ito Ang Perfect Back-To-School Baon.

REGENT

LOC CREATIVE RESOURCES

The WORLD

Putin, Jiang discuss ways of combating Islamic militants

SHANGHAI, China—The presidents of China, Russia and central Asian nations gathered in Shanghai yesterday to discuss cooperation in combating Islamic militants.

The two-day meeting of the "Shanghai Five" also was expected to formally admit Uzbekistan into the group and to endorse an agreement on joint military exercises.

Chinese President Jiang Zemin and Russian President Vladimir Putin were to meet on the sidelines of the conference Thursday afternoon. Putin did not talk to reporters on his arrival at Shanghai's main international airport yesterday.

Named for the site of the group's first meeting in 1996, the five nations initially concentrated on easing tensions along their shared borders, including troop reductions and a decrease in border military activities. But they have since taken on a broader agenda, including economic issues and cross-border threats.

China looks to central Asian oil reserves to help power its growing economy and is seeking to expand its influence in the region. Russia and China are bonded by shared opposition to US plans to build a missile defense system and by mutual unease over what they regard as US dominance of global affairs.

Shanghai Five defense and security officials are developing joint efforts to combat the thriving drug trade in Central Asia. At their summit last year, the group's leaders agreed to set up a joint anti-terrorist center in Bishkek, the capital of Kyrgyzstan.

Nations in central Asia, including China, are in varying degrees grappling with separatist or rebel groups, many of whom draw inspiration and material assistance from the Taliban, Afghanistan's extremist Islamic rulers.

China's communist government faces its most violent rebellion from Muslim separatists in its Central Asian borderland of Xinjiang. Militant Uighurs, ethnically related to Turkic groups dominant in much of Central Asia, have waged a campaign of bombings and assassinations against Chinese rule.

Uighur groups in Kazakstan and elsewhere in the region are believed by Chinese and Western scholars to be supporting the separatists, helping them run drugs and buy arms. Chinese scholars believe Uighurs are trained in Afghanistan, along with Islamic militants from Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

Presidents Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakstan, Askar Akayev of Kyrgyzstan, Emomali Rakhmonov of Tajikistan and Islam Karimov of Uzbekistan were also attending the summit.

Office workers in central Shanghai were given Friday off to help clear traffic for the meeting. Security in the city was heightened, with extra police on patrol. Lampposts were decorated with the flags of the six nations attending. *AP*

Hearing Loss?

- * Virtually invisible hearing aids
- * Latest multi channel digital technology
- * Crystal clear CD quality sound
- * Auto background noise reduction
- * Authorized Siemens dealer

DON'T FORGET TO ASK ABOUT OUR
- • ₱1,000 discount off purchase price (not applicable for trade-in)
- • FREE batteries for life*
- • INSTALLMENT: payable within 6 mos. & 3 mos. w/ 50% D.P.
- • TRADE-IN DISCOUNT of up to ₱5,000 for their old hearing aid regardless of brand, age or condition, working or not. (Promo period June 1 - August 31, 2001)

*For every 6 mos. of regular check-up & cleaning of hearing aids at Sountex offices.

CALL FOR A FREE HEARING TEST TODAY!
Makati : 8671916
Alabang : 8071920
Robinsons : 6359033
www.sountex.com

SOUNtex
THE HEARING CARE PROFESSIONALS

PER DTI-NCR PERMIT NO 1642 SERIES OF 2001

Multivitamins
Kiddi Pharmaton®

A special raffle for KIDS
WINNERS

1 winner 1st PRIZE
Prudentialife Educational Plan worth almost P600,000
Bianca Nikola P. Lastima
Bacolod City

3 winners 2nd PRIZE
Time Deposit of P30,000 at BPI
- Abigail Lizenne L. Ting - Bicutan, Parañaque
- Remy Francis Louise Rona - Sibulan, Negros Oriental
- Gabriel D. Hernandez - Batangas City

5 winners 3rd PRIZE
V-Tech Pre-Computer
- Naomi R. Pascual - Proj. 8, Quezon City
- Arnel D. Ramos - San Pedro, Laguna
- Charisse Monique M. Clement - Balintawak, Quezon City
- Joan Jayme - Sta. Ana, Manila
- Jonalie A. Rivero - Kalibo, Aklan

15 winners 4th PRIZE
Kiddi Saver's Account worth P3,000 with BPI
- Drix Dover C. Salinas
- Loraine Nicole Dayrit
- Mark Raeywen L. Mestas
- Margie Mildred B. Castillo
- Kit Owel Flores
- Jeffrey Abang
- Ed Paul C. Valencia
- Rona Marie B. Guanzon
- Matthew Geremi de Guzman
- John Michael E. Chapoco
- John Rhaniel V. Cruz
- Zainell de Asis
- Charina D. Barrios
- Daniel N. Dionson
- Angelean Chan C. Malilay

20 winners Consolation Prize
5 Bottles of Kiddi Pharmaton 120mL
- Tristan Kaie P. Linga
- Elorianne May N. Lit
- Alexandra Antonio
- Anthony P. Catubay
- Mari Justine L. Jacinto
- Andrea Ilisan Sudario
- Rolando Y. Santiago, Jr.
- Ma. Tina Fontanilla
- Angela Christa A. Tidon
- Amiel Ced C. Malilay
- Keziah Joan E. Gorgonio
- Jose Vincenzo A. Vizcarra
- Nina Rosena Bariga Sacapano
- Hannah Camille L. Bien
- John Billy C. Quinao
- Princess Theresa B. Benegas
- Larah Mae U. Alas
- Anntony Jan Roma
- Sophia Malait Jaba-an
- Camille I. Nagano

Multivitamins B-complex, A, D, Calcium + Lysine
Kiddi Pharmaton

CONGRATULATIONS!

Boehringer Ingelheim

Per DOH-BFAD permit No. 0935 s.2000

PabDer SALE
10 Days Sale
June 8 to 17, 2001
up to 50% discount
on selected items!

Father,
SON'S BEST FRIEND
PabDer,
FATHER'S BEST FRIEND

ITALY
PabDer
UOMO

Gloreitta 3 Ayala • Greenhills Shoppesville • Festival Supermall • Alabang Town Center
Robinsons Galleria • Robinson Place Manila • Robinsons Place Imus • Robinsons Place Bacolod
Ayala Center Cebu • SM City-Cebu

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1600 Series of 2001.

CATHAY BUILDER'S CENTER
ALL BRANCHES NATIONWIDE
SPECIAL SALE
Extended!
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1428 , Series of 2001

US, North Korea open talks

WASHINGTON—The United States and North Korea held their first official talks Wednesday since President George W. Bush's announcement last week that he was ready to lift his freeze on contacts with the isolated communist state.

State Department Korea expert Jack Pritchard met for three hours at an undisclosed location in New York with North Korea's envoy to the United Nations Li Hyong-chol to discuss how to resume the dialogue between the two Cold War enemies.

The meeting was aimed at "making arrangements for bilateral talks," state department spokesperson Philip Reeker said.

"It was businesslike and a useful start to the dialogue process," he said.

No details were available on the scope of the talks, or whether any date had been set for future meetings.

After spelling out a tough line toward North Korean leader Kim Jong-il early in his administration, Bush suspended talks with Pyongyang and undertook a review of the engagement strategy followed by former President Bill Clinton.

But last week, Bush said in a statement that the review had been completed and he was ready to relaunch the talks.

The new president enraged Pyongyang and supporters of the Clinton approach by saying in March that he did not trust Kim Jong-il and doubted whether he could be counted upon to keep agreements.

Last week though, he said he was prepared to focus on improved implementation of a 1994 deal which ended Pyongyang's nuclear program, "verifiable constraints" on its missile development, a ban on missile exports and "a less threatening conventional military posture."

After meeting South Korean Foreign Minister Han Seung-Soo a day after Bush's announcement, Secretary of State Colin Powell said no preconditions had been imposed on the talks.

Powell's comments followed a warning from Pyongyang that it would refuse to come to the table if Washington made the dialogue conditional on any issue.

Aides to former president Clinton said they had fallen just short of reaching an accord with Pyongyang on halting its missile program before he left office in January.

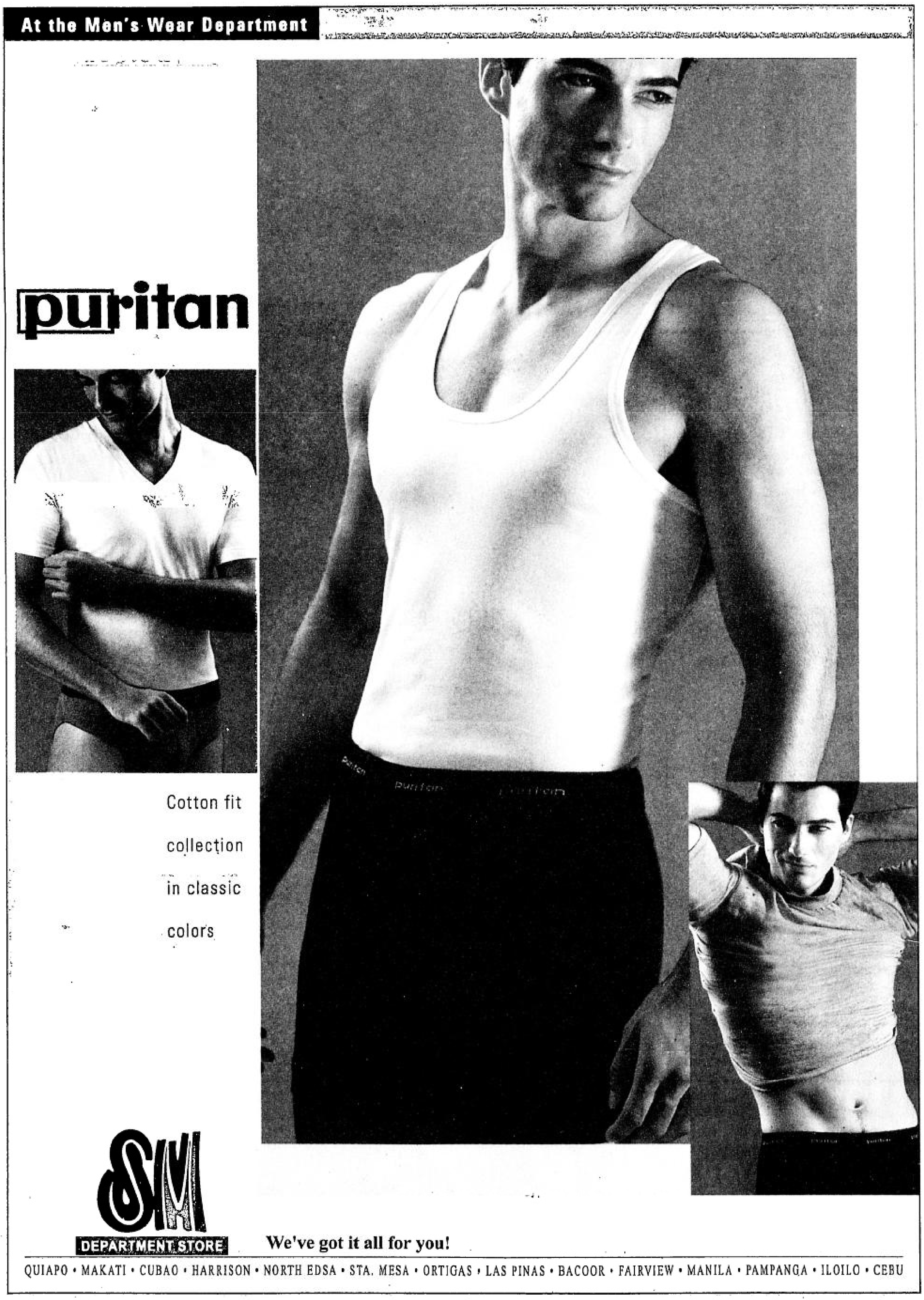
But Bush's team has complained that the fast pace of the Clinton era engagement failed to include sufficient verification guarantees.

North Korea has over the past 18 months launched a gradual process of diplomatic opening, establishing relations with a number of western powers. *AFP*

SOUTH Korean leaders hold candles as they pray for the peaceful reunification of the two Koreas in front of a map of the peninsula at the National Assembly in Seoul on June 14, the first anniversary of the historic Inter-Korea summit.
REUTERS

Mark your calendars for your date with
CORPORATE GIVEAWAYS 2001
July 4 - 7, 2001
World Trade Center Metro Manila
FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Tels. (632) 891.8635 / 891.8638 / Fax: (632) 834.0608
mktgwdxco@edsamail.com.ph / wdx@allink.net / wdx@info.com.ph
Visit us at worldexco.com / corporategiveawaysonline.com

UNITED COLOURS OF CAT GAS DELIVERS!
JUST DIAL 920-7777
OR TEXT: (0917)848-1777 (0918)912-7777
PAMPANGA BRANCH: (045)-860-0888
Free Delivery
Free Swap
Free Installation
Free Service



At the Men's Wear Department
puritan
Cotton fit collection in classic colors
SM DEPARTMENT STORE
We've got it all for you!
QUIAPO • MAKATI • CUBAO • HARRISON • NORTH EDSA • STA. MESA • ORTIGAS • LAS PINAS • BACOOR • FAIRVIEW • MANILA • PAMPANGA • ILOILO • CEBU

WORLDBRIEFS

Israel implements truce

JERUSALEM—The Israeli Army has begun implementing the ceasefire agreement with the Palestinians brokered by US CIA chief George Tenet, Defense Minister Binyamin Ben Eliezer said yesterday. "The Army has started redeployment in the Palestinian territories and some road blocks have been removed," he told Israeli public radio. "If the Palestinians fulfil all their commitments, in particular by stopping mortar fire, we will ease things further." Ben Eliezer added: "We can tell the difference between a deliberate provocation and a stray bullet . . . Israel is doing all it can to assist in the implementation of the Tenet accord so that the ceasefire can be effective." Ben Eliezer said the Mitchell report which sparked Tenet's mission recommended a number of steps for putting the peace process back on track, "the first of which is the most critical, being the immediate and unconditional end to violence." Mitchell's other recommendations include a total freeze on Jewish settlement building in the occupied territories and the reopening of talks aimed at a political settlement. *AFP*

New Macedonia peace bid

SKOPJE—Nato Secretary General George Robertson and top EU foreign policy official Javier Solana arrived in Skopje yesterday in another bid to push for peace in the trouble-hit Macedonia. Robertson said that Nato had already supported the peace plan proposed by Macedonian President Boris Trajkovski, insisting that the "key thing now is to translate a plan on paper into a peace in place." Their visit comes as the rebels took their fight to the outskirts of the Macedonian capital Skopje for the first time. On Wednesday, Nato leaders met in Brussels to discuss the crisis for the first time with US President George Bush, who said he was opposed to sending troops into the country without government leaders first coming up with a political solution. The two officials were expected to urge Slav and ethnic Albanian leaders to back Trajkovski's plan to disarm ethnic Albanian rebels, while simultaneously pursuing political talks on Albanian demands for more rights. Nato and the European Union fear the insurgency could blow up into yet another Balkans war. *AFP*

Bush-EU leaders summit

GOTEBORG, Sweden—After going some way to calming European anxieties over his missile defense plans, US President George W. Bush holds a debut summit with European Union leaders yesterday seeking to bridge other rifts in trans-Atlantic relations over trade and the environment. The environment is likely to take center stage in the Swedish seaport of Goteborg as EU leaders voice their concerns over Bush's rejection of the Kyoto international agreement to limit polluting gases. "I very much regret that he is sticking to his rejection of the Kyoto treaty without naming concrete measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the United States," Germany's environment minister Juergen Trittin said Wednesday. Bush's plans to increase study of the impact of so-called greenhouse gases blamed for global warming instead of obliging US industry to cut emissions as foreseen under the Kyoto accords have provoked outrage from protesters and European media. The debate over Bush's plans for anti-missile defense system against rogue nations is expected to be pushed to the back burner after dominating the president's first Nato summit Wednesday in Brussels, Belgium. *AP*

Japan book a bestseller

TOKYO—A controversial school history textbook which has infuriated Japan's Asian neighbors by glossing over Tokyo's wartime atrocities is proving to be a bestseller. "I want to judge with my own eyes if the one-sided criticisms from overseas are justified or not," said Shoji Asakura, 69, a patent attorney who was perusing the New History Textbook at a downtown Tokyo bookshop. The textbook, intended for junior high school students aged 12 to 15, went on sale on June 4. A weekly nationwide survey by major book wholesaler Tohan Corp. said the book became the nation's number one bestseller on Tuesday, a spokesperson for the company said. He declined to disclose actual sales figures, but said it was selling "extraordinarily well for these days," adding that less than 10 titles across all categories sell more than 500,000 copies a year. The book's publisher, Fuso Publishing, said it had printed 500,000 copies so far. *AFP*

Lawmakers on the brink of toppling Wahid

JAKARTA—All but one of the 11 Indonesian upper house factions have agreed to bring forward to July 1 a parliamentary session that may impeach President Abdurrahman Wahid, MPs said yesterday.

"Although the decision is not yet final, all but one faction have agreed to hold the special session on July. 1 instead of Aug. 1," the Golkar party faction secretary, Rambe Kamaruul Zaman, said.

Wahid's own National Awakening Party was holding out against the move.

The executive leadership of the People's Consultative Assembly (MPR) would have the final say on the new date, said Jacob Tobing, chair of the MPR working committee.

"Once the executive board agrees, they can task the working committee with preparing the special session," he said.

Lawmakers are bidding to topple Wahid, Indonesia's first democratically elected president, over his alleged corruption and failure to tackle the sprawling nation's daunting problems.

In anticipation of the early session, the deputy chair of the lower house, AM Fatwa, said all members of the MPR had been told to stay in Indonesia.

"All MPR members have been instructed not to travel abroad or out of their regions," Fatwa said in the coastal city of Surabaya, according to the state news agency Antara.

The special MPR session was initially scheduled for Aug. 1 after the lower house on May 30 passed the second of two effective no-confidence votes against Wahid.

Under a parliamentary decree of 1997, lawmakers are supposed to wait at least 60 days before holding the special session of Indonesia's highest legislature.

But MPs have said that efforts to bring forward the session are justified by the worsening political and economic crises in Indonesia under the Muslim cleric's leadership.

And advice given by noted constitutional law expert Jimly As'Siddiqie had provided justification to bypass the 60-day requirement, according to MPs.

As'Siddiqie said: "The worsening conditions in all sectors of life are enough reason. *AFP*

Diabetes cases among Asians seen to rise

SINGAPORE—The number of Asians suffering from diabetes will rise sharply over the next 20 years as the region continues to enjoy growing affluence, a health conference was told yesterday.

"What is coming and what you must prepare for is an explosion," Eli Friedman, chief of renal disease at the State University of New York's Health Service Center, told the NephroAsia 2001 conference.

Citing forecasts from the World Health Organization, he said the number of diabetic cases worldwide will rise from 140 million currently to 300 million by 2025, out of which 110 million cases will come from China and India.

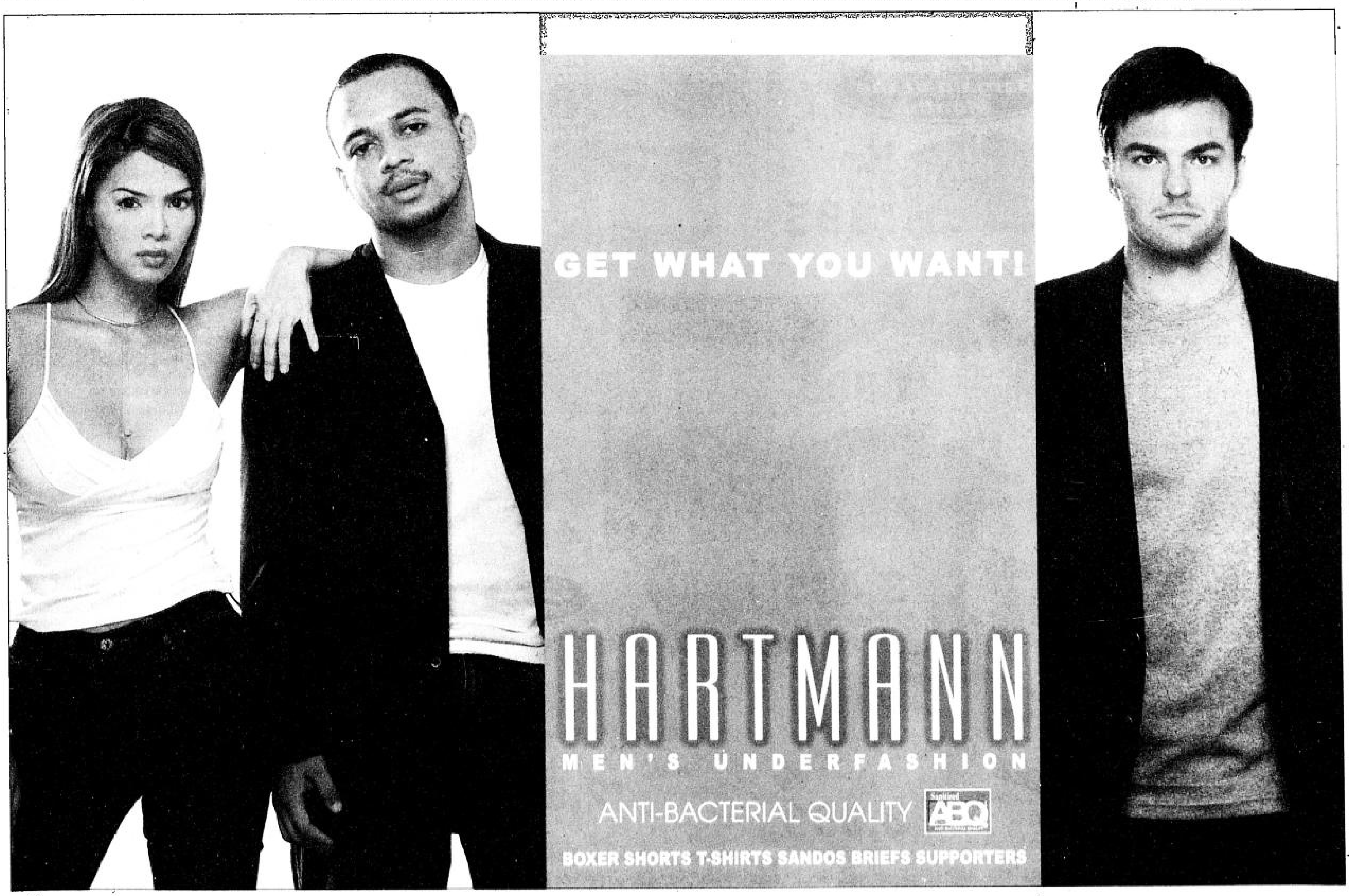
Diabetes occurs in people who either lack the ability to produce insulin—type one diabetes—or have insufficient levels of it or poor sensitivity to it, which is type two.

Insulin, which is secreted in the pancreas, breaks down glucose in the blood. Excessive glucose levels can cause a range of complications that, if untreated, can cause blindness, kidney disease or coma.

Type two diabetes accounts for 90 percent of all diabetes and is proliferating wildly in developed countries because of a high-sugar diet, obesity and a sedentary lifestyle.

Friedman said it was "unavoidable" that the number of diabetic cases in Asia will rise because of rising affluence in the region. *AFP*

Let's Go Sago!
Make your own pearl shakes with a 3D Blenderizer.
Its heavy-duty blades can make your
favorite flavors in seconds.
Start calling your friends, now!
3D Blenderizer
TSK-948BB
TSK-936BG
3D BLENDERIZER
It's all in the mix
3D
For quality you can trust


GET WHAT YOU WANT!
HARTMANN
MEN'S UNDERFASHION
ANTI-BACTERIAL QUALITY
ABQ
BOXER SHORTS T-SHIRTS SANDOS BRIEFS SUPPORTERS

Across the NATION

TONY BERGONIA, Assistant Editor

Anti-Red leader wounded in ambush

DAVAO CITY—Anti-communist crusader and controversial broadcaster Juan Porras Pala and his driver were wounded when they were ambushed by four gunmen here yesterday morning.

As of yesterday afternoon, Pala was already out of danger. But his driver-bodyguard, 1Lt. Angelito Aguanza, was still in critical condition at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of the San Pedro Hospital.

Another companion, Romeo Roluna, who also serves as Pala's bodyguard, was able to jump out of the vehicle when armed men opened fire at the group's Isuzu pickup with M-16 Armalite rifles and Uzi machine pistols.

Pala, an outgoing city councilor who lost in his vice mayoral bid, was hit in the right nape and right arm, while Aguanza was hit in the head.

The ambush took place 15 minutes after Pala paid a visit to his Radyo Ukay station at 8:34 a.m. He was on his way home to Barangay Buhangin when ambushed along the road to Barangay Bacaca here.

Police recovered Pala's 9mm pistol, his clutch bag and bullet slugs from an M-16 Armalite rifle and Uzi machine pistol.

Witnesses said four armed men in camouflage were walking when Pala's vehicle passed by.

One of the perpetrators, described to be in their early 20s, wore a bonnet to cover his face, while the others wore dark glasses.

Roluna, Pala's bodyguard, told police that they thought the armed men were only conducting random checks *(ronda)*. But when the armed men got nearer, they opened fire at their vehicle.

Roluna, a former member of a New People's Army hit squad, told investigators that he and Pala ducked to the vehicle floor, but their driver was already hit with bullets.

Then, Roluna said, he heard the driver say, "Sir, *hindi na kaya*" and pulled off to the roadside where they hit a concrete wall.

Roluna escaped. He saw the armed men ride in an L-300 van and escape toward the Buhangin area.

A worker in a nearby car repair shop said he saw a black Mitsubishi 1979 Lancer block Pala's vehicle.

Cuison said the black car was following Pala's pickup and blocked the road. These were also the statements given by two other witnesses in the car shop.

Senior Supt. Wilfredo Garcia, city police chief, said Pala, who suffered three shrapnel wounds, was already in a stable condition.

But Aguanza is still in a critical condition at the hospital.

Roland Raval, station manager of Radyo Ukay, refused to comment on the possible motive behind the attempt on Pala's life.

"It is difficult to comment right now," Raval said.

Raval said Pala was supposed to be back on air today for his regular program "Isumbong Kang Jun Pala."

Pala went on leave at the start of the election campaign period when he ran for vice mayor.

Mayor Benjamin de Guzman condemned the attempt on Pala's life. He said the incident could be linked to Pala's work as a broadcaster or as an anti-communist leader.

The mayor said the ambush could also be politically motivated. He won't elaborate. *Ayan C. Mellejor and Anthony S. Allada, PDI Mindanao Bureau*

Mayor-elect's victory an error, says poll exec

BASISTA, Pangasinan—Was it an honest mistake or just political gimmickry?

The mayor-elect of this central part of the province faces disqualification charges after the acting election officer found he wrote a wrong entry in the mayor-elect's certificate of candidacy (COC) for the May 14 elections.

Election officer Cesar Valdez, who was assigned to this town two days before the elections, said he accidentally discovered on June 6 that Mayor-elect Raul de Guzman filed his COC for vice mayor, not for mayor.

"I got curious when I saw on my table the COC of (De Guzman) which was blown by the wind. When I read the contents, I was surprised to read (that) the entry... he filed (was) for vice mayor," Valdez said.

Valdez told incumbent Mayor Jesus Perez, whose son Joselito lost to De Guzman, about his discovery.

The elder Perez then went to the Commission on Elections office here to ask about the issue.

Perez told the INQUIRER that although he saw the entry in De Guzman's COC was for vice mayor, he advised his son Joselito not to file any case against De Guzman, the incumbent vice mayor, anymore.

"I told Joselito and his supporters not to mind the issue. Anyway the election is finished and (De Guzman) won. Let us just respect the decision of the people," he said.

However, reports about De Guzman's alleged mistake has spread all over town and residents started to question the legality of his victory.

De Guzman denied that he filed a certificate for the vice mayoral post and circulated photocopies of his COC that showed that he was seeking the mayoral post.

"I have the original copy of the COC that I filed and I wrote 'mayor' in the entry for the position I vied for. We checked the entries several times, making sure that the entries were all correct," said De Guzman, who beat Perez by about 1,300 votes.

Perez was piqued after he learned that De Guzman had been distributing copies of his COC to residents.

"What does that make of me, a liar?" Perez said. He asked Valdez if there were other documents to amend De Guzman's COC but Valdez said there was none.

He asked for a certified true copy of all the candidates' COC from the Comelec but claimed that municipal election officer Marissa Mendiguarin, provincial election officer Estrella Ramos and regional officer Elvira Manuel refused to grant his request. *Yolanda Fuertes, PDI Northern Luzon Bureau*

16-year-old girl sues Guimaras cop for rape

BY MA. DIOSA LABISTE
PDI Visayas Bureau

ILOILO CITY—A 16-year-old girl filed rape charges against a policeman in Jordan town, Guimaras.

The victim was assisted by PO2 Ma. Bella Laurea of the Children's and Women's Desk (CWD), when she filed the complaint against PO1 Jonel Aficionado before the 16th Municipal Circuit Trial Court in Jordan on Wednesday.

Aficionado was ordered "restricted" to the police station by SPO4 Felimon Guyapa, Jordan police chief. However, Aficionado had not reported for duty since June 11.

The victim, a third year high school student, claimed that Aficionado raped her at gunpoint about 2 a.m. on June 5 inside the house of the suspect's rumored girlfriend in Jordan.

The victim failed to come home after she, a friend and the policeman's girlfriend attended a birthday party in the evening of June 4 where the suspect joined them and spent the time drinking.

The victim said she was the only one who did not take alcohol at that time.

For fear of her life and because of humiliation, she did not shout for help even if her friend was sleeping in the same room and the caretaker of the house was in the next room. The policeman's rumored girlfriend was also sleeping in the living room.

After raping the teenager, the suspect slept, woke up about 5 a.m. and left "as if nothing happened," the victim said.

The victim went home but did not tell her parents of her ordeal until the suspect fetched and brought her to a hut near the police station.

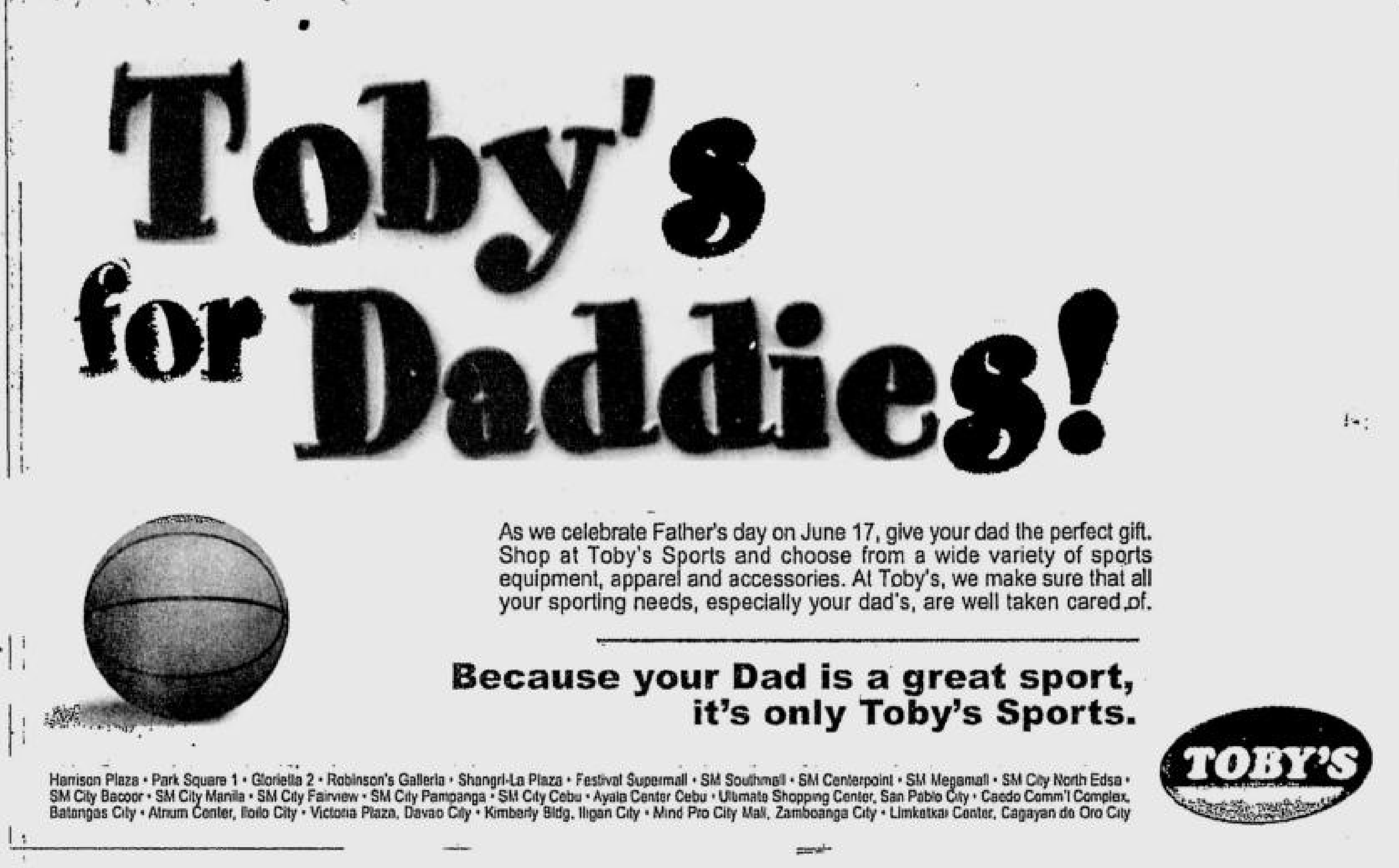
There, Aficionado told the girl and his rumored girlfriend "not to file rape charges." But the victim's family learned where she was and brought her home.

The victim's aunt, a barangay captain, asked the suspect to give his side on June 6. The suspect reportedly told the aunt that he only "touched" the girl but did not rape her.

The INQUIRER tried to reach Aficionado yesterday but to no avail.

But reports said the station's records showed that Aficionado was on duty when the alleged rape happened.

Aficionado reported back for work on June 7-9, as shown by his signature on the station's logbook, but he did not report for work since June 11.



Toby's for Daddies!

As we celebrate Father's day on June 17, give your dad the perfect gift. Shop at Toby's Sports and choose from a wide variety of sports equipment, apparel and accessories. At Toby's, we make sure that all your sporting needs, especially your dad's, are well taken cared of.

Because your Dad is a great sport, it's only Toby's Sports.

TOBY'S

Harrison Plaza • Park Square 1 • Glorietta 2 • Robinson's Galleria • Shangri-La Plaza • Festival Supermall • SM Southmall • SM Centerpoint • SM Megamall • SM City North Edsa • SM City Bacoor • SM City Manila • SM City Fairview • SM City Pampanga • SM City Cebu • Ayala Center Cebu • Ultimate Shopping Center, San Pablo City • Caedo Comm'l Complex, Batangas City • Atrium Center, Iloilo City • Victoria Plaza, Davao City • Kimberly Bldg, Iligan City • Mind Pro City Mall, Zamboanga City • Limketkai Center, Cagayan de Oro City

HARDWARE WORKSHOP AT SM DEPARTMENT STORE

HAND & POWER TOOL SALE

PROMO PERIOD: JUNE 8 TO 30, 2001

Big, Big Discounts on Hand & Power Tools!

WILCO Screw Driver
- 5 x 100 mm
- Chrome Vanadium Blade
- Magnetic Tip

P50 BEFORE P79.75

NEW! MAKITA Cordless Drill 6226 DW
- 10 mm (3/8")
- Variable Speed
- US Made

P5,250 BEFORE P6,999.75

Outrageous Bargain of the Month!

SAFETY AID Disposable Dust Mask (DR-8885)
- 5 Pieces
- Protection from Dust & Fumes
- With Exhaust Valve & Activated Carbon

P50 BEFORE P67.75

*Not Available in Quiapo Harrison Plaza & Southmall

EAGLE Combination Plier
- 7 Inches
- US Quality
- Heavy Duty Handle Grip

P95 BEFORE P119.75

ACE Drill Bit Set #25840
- 13 Drill Bits
- 1/16" to 1/4"

P395 BEFORE P549.75

EAGLE Tape Measure
- 5m/ 16 ft
- Heavy Duty Case
- US Quality

P85 BEFORE P109.75

EAGLE Claw Hammer
- Non-Slip Rubber Grip Handle
- No Rust Guarantee

P150 BEFORE P189.75

BOSCH Rotaty Drill GBM6
- W/ Practical Belt Clip
- 230 Volts/AC

P1,995 BEFORE P2,399.75

STANLEY Socket Wrench Set
- 16 pcs
- Comes in a Durable Work Case

P1,950 BEFORE P2,449.75

EAGLE Adjustable Wrench
- 12 Inches
- US Quality

P190 BEFORE P239.75

BLACK & DECKER Impact Drill KR532
- 500 Watts
- Made in England

P3,495 BEFORE P4,439.75

DEWALT 100 mm Angle Grinder DW810
- 680 watts
- Optimum Speed of 1100 rpm

P2,495 BEFORE P3,179.75

SKIL DUO

11-Piece Paint Set Included!

VISE GRIP 7R-3 Locking Plier #21705
- 7"/ 175 mm
- Straight Jaw
- US Made

P275 BEFORE P349.75

NEW! MAKITA Hammer Drill HP1510
- 15 mm (9/16")
- 220-230 Volts/AC

P3,950 BEFORE P4,999.75

SKIL DUO Orbital Sander Kit 7390
- W/ Integrated Dust Suction for Clean Work
- High Power & Speed for Faster Material Removal

P2,550 BEFORE P2,999.75

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1744 Series of 2001

SM CITY NORTH EDSA • SM CITY NORTH EDSA ANNEX • SM SOUTHMALL • SM CENTERPOINT • SM MAKATI • SM HARRISON PLAZA • SM CITY MANILA • SM QUIAPO

Gloria urged to distribute Mindanao lands now

DAVAO CITY—Nongovernment organizations urged President Macapagal-Arroyo and other government agencies to enforce agrarian reform as soon as possible on commercial farms and agricultural estates in Mindanao.

The Mindanao Caucus on Commercial Farms (MCCF) made the same appeal to the Department of Agrarian Reform and Land Bank of the Philippines.

Under the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law, corporate farms and estates owned by corporations may opt to distribute shares of stock to farmers tilling their farms.

The scheme was introduced during the term of ex-President Corazon Aquino and was first used in her family's Hacienda Luisita.

The MCCF said there was no significant move on the part of the DAR to distribute commercial farms in Mindanao 100 days after the appointment of Agrarian Reform Secretary Hernani Braganza.

Braganza is now in Norway taking part in peace talks with communist rebels.

"When will the review of the cases end? Secretary Braganza may think that it has only been 100 days of waiting, but for farm workers, it has been 13 years of waiting and suffering," the MCCF said in a statement.

Joselito Libres, regional director of the Philippine Network of Rural Development Institute (PNRDI), said there are 22,000 cases filed with the DAR, and 10,000 of these are supposed to be for adjudication. The bulk of the cases are in Mindanao.

"(Farm workers) waited patiently for the 10 years of commercial farms' deferment," the MCCF statement said.

The group claimed that only 2,250 hectares have been distributed in Southern Mindanao since 1998, the year the distribution of commercial farms was supposed to start.

The MCCF also claimed that while portions of large commercial farms have been distributed, many qualified farm workers were excluded from the list prepared by the DAR such as in the case of the Marsman Estate Plantation and Wadecor.

The MCCF called on the DAR and the LBP to immediately resolve all agrarian and valuation cases pending in their offices, including the cases of Wadecor, Checkered Farms Inc., Tagum Development Corporation, Nenita Farms, Panabo Hemp Company, Marsman Estate Plantation, Saranggani Agriculural Corp., Gadeco, JK Mercado and Sons, Viscaya Plantation, Mayo Hacienda, Kenram Philippines Inc., First Southern Land Development Corp., Juna Garcia Estates, Davao Fruits Corporation, Compostela Valey, Nova Vista, Diamond Farms and Bernardino Estate.

Ayan C. Mellejor, PDI Mindanao Bureau

TRIVIA: Do you know that the phrase "raining cats and dogs" originated in 17th Century England? During heavy downpours of rain, many of these poor animals unfortunately drowned and their bodies would be seen floating in the torrential floods that raced through the streets. The situation gave the appearance that it had literally rained "cats and dogs" and led to the expression we use today.

BOSE®
Better sound through research.
www.bose.com

BOSE STORES:
SM Megamall: Tel. No. 634-8484 to 85 • SM City North Edsa: Tel. No. 926-80-34 • Robinson's Place Ermita: Tel. No. 536-2668
Festival Supermall: Tel. No. 850-3638 • Enzo Bldg.: (Jaguar Showroom) Tel. No. 897-8888 • SM City Manila: Tel. No. 525-1995•
Glorietta 4 (Automatic Center): ~~Tel. No.~~ 729-64-50

DEALERS:
Ambassador Appliances: Virramall, Greenhills Tel. 721-0905 • Ang Brothers Appliances: G-Puyat Street, Sta. Cruz, Manila Tel. 733-7715 • CD Plus: (Iloilo City) 2nd Floor, SM City Iloilo Tel. (033) 337-0514 • Cebu Circuit City: Unit 122 Ground Floor, Gaisano Country Mall Banilad, Cebu City Tel. (032) 231-3598 to 99 • Nagatome Auto Sales: (Naga City) Grd. Floor, Mc-Kay Building, Panganiban Avenue, Tel. (054) 811-1515 • Sound Signal: (Bacolod City) 22nd Lacson Street, Dona Ceferina Building, Tel. (034) 434-1664

Danding party wins big in E. Samar polls

BY VICENTE S. LABRO
PDI Visayas Bureau

TACLOBAN CITY—The opposition Nationalist People's Coalition almost made a clean sweep in the election of provincial officials in Eastern Samar after the votes from Monday's special elections in Can-avid were tallied.

The NPC took the congressional, gubernatorial and vice gubernatorial seats as well as eight of the 10 slots in the provincial board, results of the May 14 elections and the June 11 special elections showed.

The Eastern Samar provincial board of canvassers proclaimed about 5 p.m. Wednesday board member Clotilde Salazar and her running mate Federico Suyot.

Salazar got 46,752 votes, or nearly 3,000 more than the votes received by her closest rival, former Rep. Jose Tan Ramirez of the Lakas-NUCD.

Reelectionist Gov. Ruperto Ambil Jr., who was seeking a second term, was some 10,000 votes behind the governor-elect.

Suyot got 50,371 votes or a margin of more than 6,000 votes over his closest rival, Generoso Yu of Lakas.

Salazar, a retired municipal trial court judge, is the second woman to be proclaimed governor of Samar Island.

The first was Milagros Tan (PMP) who, like Salazar, is in her first term as a board member. Tan defeated Gov. Jose Roño (Lakas), who was seeking a third term.

Also proclaimed on Wednesday were board members-elect Leander Geli, Jose Vicente Opinion, Karen Alvarez, Norma Badiola and German Alido, all of the NPC.

The PBC had proclaimed reelectionist Rep. Marcelino Libanan on May 20.

Proclaimed with Libanan at that time were his partymates Analiza Kwan, Esteban Juaban and Arnuldo Sabalbarino and two Lakas candidates Pedro Macabocsit and Floro Camenforte.

The Commission on Elections ordered the holding of special elections in Can-avid after over a third of the town's some 9,000 voters failed to cast their votes on May 14.

Some 3,000 additional ballots were supposed to have been brought to this town on Election Day but the courier got lost and wound up in another town.

The election in Can-avid was considered crucial in determining not only the municipal winners but also the winners in the provincial race since Salazar was only 2,312 votes ahead of her closest rival, Tan.

WEATHER FORECAST

FORECAST: Northern Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao will experience mostly cloudy skies with scattered rainshowers and thunderstorms. The rest of the country will be partly cloudy to at times cloudy with isolated rainshowers or thunderstorms. SOURCE PAGASA

Metro Manila Hi 34° Lo 25°	Baguio Hi 26° Lo 16°	Tuguegarao Hi 35° Lo 23°	Laoag Hi 31° Lo 25°
Clark Zone Hi 34° Lo 24°	Tagaytay Hi 33° Lo 22°	Legazpi Hi 34° Lo 26°	Calapan Hi 33° Lo 24°
Bacolod Hi 32° Lo 26°	Roxas Hi 32° Lo 26°	Cebu Hi 31° Lo 24°	Tacloban Hi 31° Lo 25°
Gen. Santos Hi 32° Lo 24°	Zamboanga Hi 31° Lo 24°	Cagayan de Oro Hi 32° Lo 23°	Davao Hi 31° Lo 25°

Compiled by: Ray Leyesa, PDI Research/06/15/01

PDI BUREAUS

Northern Luzon Bureau
Central Luzon Desk
Room 201, Bonuan Apartelle
10 Happy Glen Loop,
Baguio City
Tel. No. (074) 443-9255
Fax No. (074) 443-8971
E-mail:
inq_baguio@inquirer.com.ph

Southern Luzon Bureau
23 Aurora St., Old Albay
District, Legazpi City
Tel. No. (052) 820-8402
Fax No. (052) 820-1274
E-mail:
inq_bicol@inquirer.com .ph

Visayas Bureau
c/o Cebu Daily News
18-15 Escario St.,
Cebu City
Tel. Nos. (032) 233-0346 /
233-0349
Fax No. (032) 232-9938
E-mail:
pdivis@skyinet.net

Mindanao Bureau
FEP Printing Corp. Bldg.
Ma-a Road, Davao City
Tel. Nos. (082) 244-1770 to 71

E-mail:
pdiminda@dv.weblinq.com

HAPPY FAMILY HOUSING LOAN
BPI FAMILY BANK
HAPPY FAMILY AUTO LOAN

The right home. The right car.
We found them by making the right choice with BPI Family Bank

✓ BPI Family Bank Loans are so FAST
Only 5 days to get a credit decision for your dream house.
Only 1 day for your own car.
✓ BPI Family Bank Loans are so EASY to get
For only a minimum of ₱30,000 monthly income,
you qualify for a housing or auto loan.
✓ BPI Family Bank Loans are really AFFORDABLE
You always get the lowest rates.

Avail of a
Happy Family Housing Loan
and get home appliances and furniture -- FREE!

Easy Loans Ginto ang Hatid 2
Hurry! Offer good until
July 31, 2001.
See print ads and flyers for details.
Per DTI-NCR Permit No.1170 Series of 2001

Make the right choice and get your loans today from BPI Family Bank.
CALL 845-6888 for Housing Loans; 845-6777 for Auto Loans
VISIT www.bpiexpressonline.com
DROP BY Your nearest BPI and BPI Family Bank branch or any Express Banking Center.

BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS
A tradition of leadership

BPI Family Bank Provincial Business Centers: *Dagupan*: (075) 522-0372/73; 523-4679 • *San Fernando, Pampanga*: (045) 961-2943 • *Lipa*: (043) 757-1000/02
Cebu: (032) 254-0895/97 • *Iloilo*: (033) 335-0229 • *Bacolod*: (034) 435-0639; 433-8032 • *Cagayan De Oro*: (08822) 726-067 • *Davao*: (082) 224-0931/34

US anti-crime experts train Subic police

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT—Criminal investigation experts of the United States Naval Criminal Investigative Service (US-NICS) recently trained intelligence officers and agents of the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority on the latest investigation techniques and equipment.

The training involved courses ranging from the handling of evidence to the lifting of fingerprints from "hard-to-find" areas.

Burt Nakasone and Darrell Paul, special agents and forensic consultants for the NCIS-Far East Region, conducted the intensive four-day training patterned after the recent series of NCIS training courses in the US East Coast.

The special agents also turned over to the SBMA Intelligence and Investigation Office (IIO) equipment, special gadgets and chemicals donated by the NCIS.

"Since the Americans are slowly coming back to Subic under the Visiting Forces Agreement, the NCIS feels that they should be able to train their Filipino counterparts in more modern and advanced criminal investigation processes should an unlikely event happen," Nakasone said.

IIO personnel include investigators honed in various sleuthing techniques by the NCIS during the US Navy days here.

Nakasone noted that local investigators are not too far behind in crime scene processing and all that was needed was to upgrade the personnel's equipment and technical know-how to cope with advanced techniques and procedures.

Timothy Reeves, special agent in-charge for the US Embassy in Manila, also noted how fast the trainees picked up new techniques in the field of criminal investigation.

Insp. Robert Quenery, IIO department head, reminded the IIO officers and agents that the new knowledge and skills they have acquired "come with great responsibility" and that "constant practice and further study will make you a better investigator and an essential person in the field of crime-solving."

Elizabeth Marcelo, PDI Central Luzon Desk

CAPIZ BOARD RESOLUTION

Erap, Marcos pictures detested

BY GERRY T. PAGHARION
PDI Visayas Bureau

ROXAS CITY—The Capiz provincial board is urging government and school officials to remove the pictures of the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos and ousted president Joseph Estrada from their offices and schools.

In a resolution, the board said the pictures of the deposed leaders should be removed from public places in Capiz because they "do not deserve the honor and respect due other Presidents."

"Heroes must be honored and emulated while villains must be punished and condemned regardless of their positions," the resolution said.

The measure, authored by board member Cezar Talabucon, was passed in a vote of 8-3 during the board's regular session on Friday.

Board members Aldwin Cruz-Am, Christopher Andaya and Antonio Arciga were opposed to the resolution on the ground that Marcos and Estrada were presumed innocent because they had not been convicted of any crime in any court.

But the measure gained support from some teachers and two public officials in Capiz.

Leonel Abordo, Capiz provincial veterinarian, said the two deposed leaders "must not be idolized by displaying their photos in public."

In fact, he added he had even replaced Estrada's photo inside his office with the photo of President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

Mayor Antonio del Rosario supported the measure "if only to remind the present and future generations of the two leaders who once used their power and authority for selfish ends."

He said the measure would no doubt create awareness on the kind of leadership that Marcos and Estrada had practiced during their reign.

But Elnora Barrios, Capiz schools division superintendent, said Marcos and Estrada are already part of the country's history and it would be up to the people to judge them based on what they had done during their terms.

Education Secretary Raul Roco, she added, had already ordered them to display the pictures of Ms Macapagal.

But Barrios admitted some schools still displayed Estrada's photo because of the difficulty in securing the official photo of President Macapagal.

She said the President's photo is scarce and costs P16 a piece.

Dr. Expedito Señeres, president of the Protestant school Filamer Christian College, said he agreed with the resolution not to display the photos of Marcos and Estrada if the purpose was to idolize or glorify their deeds.

Teresita Acta, college instructor at the Catholic-run Colegio la Purisima Concepcion, said the photos of Estrada and Marcos should not be removed in schools if they are part of history subjects.

But, she added, government offices should stop displaying the pictures of the two.

Talabucon said displaying the photos of the two disgraced leaders in public—especially in schools—would set a bad example for the youth.

The idea came to his mind after seeing some schools in Capiz still displaying the photos of Marcos and Estrada, he said.

He cited an elementary school in Barangay Quinat-uyan, Maayon town where Estrada's photo was displayed prominently in the school library even after Estrada's ouster.

Talabucon said the two disgraced leaders "have been convicted by the people through People Power." Thus, there was no need to glorify them through the display of their photos because "that would give our people a false sense of righteousness."

Losing bet clings to post in electric co-op

A LOSING candidate for a House seat in the lone congressional district of Aklan is pressing for his reinstatement as general manager of the Aklan Electric Cooperative in violation of the rules of the National Electrification Administration.

Leovigildo Mationg claimed that he went on a leave of absence when he filed his candidacy and, thus, was simply reclaiming his old position after his electoral loss.

The Akelco board has approved Mationg's "reinstatement." The resolution is awaiting approval by the NEA.

Two months before the elections, outgoing Rep. Allen Quimpo questioned Mationg's continued stay as general manager despite his filing of a certificate of candidacy.

In a letter to Quimpo on April 2, Manuel Luis Sanchez, NEA administrator, said his agency's policy is that "all board members, general managers and employees of rural electric cooperatives shall be considered automatically resigned from their respective positions, effective upon (the) filing of their certificates of candidacy" for positions higher than barangay captain.

Sanchez said he had issued the same clarification to Gabrielle Calizo, senior provincial board member, on Mationg's continued stay.

Calizo, of the Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino, beat Mationg by a wide margin on May 14.

"(The) NEA should not let this violation of policy pass," Calizo said in a statement.

"I ran on the platform of speeding up the economic development of the province, especially through eco-tourism," said Calizo, founder of the Blue Horizons travel agency that was instrumental in bringing in foreign tourists to Boracay.

"But I was also vocal about the inefficiencies of the Aklan Electric Cooperative which had long been under the control of Mationg," Calizo said.

"The resounding repudiation by the Aklanons of the candidacy of Mationg is the strongest proof of their dissatisfaction with Akelco."

Calizo said Akelco owes the NEA at least P32 million as of March 31 after it failed to pay quarterly amortizations for 18 months. The penalties had piled up to P2 million.

The cost of the P17 million submarine cable to Boracay which had been advanced by the Philippine Tourism Authority was first acknowledged then denied by Akelco. This prompted the PTA to file a complaint.

Calizo said Akelco has also been negligent in paying its obligations to the National Power Corp. She said because of this, Aklan is in danger of having its power supply cut off by the Napocor.

LA LAOAG
SOON: Solution to the Boracay problem . . . with Dash-7 Aircraft, Laoag International Airlines will operate 3 flights daily Manila-Caticlan-Manila.

Due to expansion, LIA needs Pilots, Flight Attendants, Aircraft Mechanics, Marketing Personnel, Travel Agents & Accounting Personnel. Applicants may contact (02) 551-4813 or fax application to (077) 773-1888.

Meet the copiers that go beyond our expectations

"Aside from making copies that are even better than the original, my Canon copier allows me to recreate dozens of other digitally-enhanced images.. Having the CLC900 networked as a printer is simply indispensable.'

Mr. Jimmy Yu
President
Jewels & Gems Business Center

"Canon's GP405 copier is perfect for our big-volume printing requirements. Documents are sorted out automatically, so it saves us a lot of space, time and manpower. It's a very reliable unit. That's why for me, Canon is the best!"

Ms. Judy Paronda
Vice President
Print Finder, Inc.

Canon CLC900
The choice for producing presentation materials with a little more punch
- Diverse collection of color-editing tools
- Generates 7 full-color A4 pages a minute and 28 in monochrome
- Optional PS controller interface for network printing
- Advanced hardware options available for image copying and editing

Canon GP405
The best for heavy copying workloads
- 40 copies per minute
- Preset ratio buttons for easy resizing
- Optional 10-bin Stapler Sorter
- OPC drum and toner development system for lowest copying cost
- Maximum of 5550 sheets with automatic tray switching feature with the optional Cassette Feeding Module

Canon NP6130
The copier that can keep up with your hectic pace
- 30 A4 copies per minute
- 50% to 200% zoom ratio
- Front-loading cassettes
- 1,500-sheet paper supply
- User-friendly control panel
- First copy in 7 seconds
- Energy-saving standby mode

"We depend on Canon CP660's innovative color output technology to handle all the printing and copying requirements of our clients. This flexible network printer-copier is a perfect balance of advanced features and ease of use."

Mr. Melvyn Salenga
Proprietor
Supermouse Business Center

Gerardo Cabochan, Jr.
Managing Director, Pandayan Bookshop
President, Philippine Society for Quality

"Canon offers exceptional after-sales service. Its Canon Warranty Plus gives us fast repairs and unparalleled maintenance service so we get virtually zero downtime! Because of this, our NP6130 copier is consistent in providing services to our customers. As head of an association that advocates product quality to increase productivity, I believe this kind of service is very important."

Canon CP660
Perfect for business documents and eye-catching reports and presentations
- 7-bin sorter option
- NetSpot software for information on copier status and device features
- Compatible with Windows 95/98/NT4.0 and Macintosh platforms
- Continuous tone 256-level, 600dpi output capable
- Networked unit gives full support to PCL5C emulation and Adobe PostScript 3

Corporate Offices:
MAIN OFFICE: CANON MARKETING (PHILIPPINES), INC., Marvin Plaza Bldg., 2153 Pasong Tamo, Makati City Tel. No. 812-6047/ 812-6076 to 79, Fax No. 812-0067 WAREHOUSE & SERVICE CENTER, Unit 1-A Sunblest Compound Km. 23 West Service Road Cupang, Muntinlupa City Tel. No. (632) 772-5351 to 52/(632) 772-5354 to 62 Fax No. (632) 7725142 • BATAAN BRANCH, Dilg Building, M. Banzon St., Balanga Bataan Tel No. (047) 237-2151/ (047) 237-5733 • LA UNION BRANCH, AJM Building, Quezon Ave., Sevilla Norte, San Fernando, La Union Telefax (072) 242-0440/ (072) 242-4587 • CEBU BRANCH, Free Star Arcade, Hernan Cortes St., Subangdaku, Mandaue City, Cebu Tel No. (032) 345-3680/(032) 345-3821 • LEGASPI BRANCH, G/F CEA Building Lapu-Lapu St., Legaspi City Tel. No. (052) 480-6331/ (052) 214-3863 • DAVAO BRANCH, Navigators Building, Gempesaw St., Davao City Tel. No. (082) 222-3392/ (082)227-4820 Website address: http://www.canon.com.ph • E-mail address:cmp_sales@canon.com.ph

Canon
Gets the job done on time, all the time

2 PDI writers bag top journalism award

(From page A1)

MANILA Rotary Club grand prize goes to Rolando Borrinaga. At right is INQUIRER publisher Isagani Yambot. ERIK ARAZAS

Balangiga," published in the INQUIRER Visayas on Sept. 28, 2000.

Gloria Goloy-Garchitorena, a one-time associate editor of the Sunday Times Magazine, won the second prize for her article, "Maytime Pilgrimage," published in the Philippine Star.

Datu Jamal Ashley Abbas copped the third prize for his article, "Once Upon a Time: Sarangani Island," published in the Philippine Post.

Bobby Timonera, a former correspondent of the INQUIRER, was one of the seven semifinalists.

The winning article of Borrinaga and Rosaldo tells the story of Fr. Donato Guimbaolibot, parish priest of Balangiga, who was singled out by American military officials as the mastermind behind their defeat in the Balangiga massacre. He was tortured and threatened with execution.

His calm demeanor in prison was said to have inspired his fellow prisoners not to lose hope. After he was cleared of the charge and American officials offered to pay him for the torture inflicted on him, Guimbaolibot said: "Why should you pay me for my love of country?"

Borrinaga, an associate professor at the School of Health Sciences of the University of the Philippines in Palo, Leyte, said in his acceptance speech that the article highlighted his advocacy of sainthood for Father Guimbaolibot and the return of the Bell of Balangiga to the Philippines.

Borrinaga's co-author, Father Rosaldo, a married priest and president of the Leyte-Samar Association of Married Priests, was unable to attend the award rites because of the short notice.

Second prize winner Goloy-Garchitorena expressed thanks for the award, the first she obtained in her nearly five decades in journalism. A cum laude Litt. B. graduate of the University of Santo Tomas, she wrote the book "Housewife in the World of Sports."

Third prize winner Abbas, president of Sawat al-Haq (Voice of Truth) Foundation, said Moro writers would have to write about themselves—their values, aspirations and beliefs. "And non-Moro decisionmakers can try to emphatize and truly understand these sentiments without making any inferences or judgments."

He lamented that there were only a handful of Moro writers, "not for lack of talent, but for lack of opportunity and access to media organizations."

Abbas, a petroleum engineering graduate of King Fahd University, worked as petroleum engineer with PNOC and was a consultant to the Philippine Commission on Urban Poor.

The guest of honor, Press Secretary Noel Cabrera, said the government and the press needed each other.

"The media render a unique service to society in the realm of public discourse and the government serves society best by ensuring the freedom of thought and of conscience, by fostering a climate of free expression and by seeing to it that the outlets of news and information are open and free," Cabrera said.

Cesar Sarino, chair of the journalism awards committee, said the Rotary Club of Manila changed the format of the awards to focus on harnessing the Filipino spirit and energy for cultural, moral, political and economic transformation.

International Academy of Management and Economics (I/AME)

NO TUITION FEE INCREASE!!!

From the first time you enroll with us...
Until the last trimester or Graduation Day!!!
Unbelievable but True. Try us.

As leading educational content provider, yes. Try our quality courses taught by experienced managers of leading domestic and global corporations. We offer quality and prestige. Our programs lead to US degrees granted by the first accredited on-line American college in New York.

COURSES OFFERED:

***BSBA Major in :** Management, Marketing, Human Resource Development, Economics, Finance & Investment • *MBA (Regular) • *MBA (for Gov't/Civil Service) • * MBA (for Senior Executives)

***Upcoming Majors:** Advertising, Management, Economics, Public Relations, Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Technology Management, etc. • *Ph.D. in Management

For inquiries, please call us at tel. nos.: 896-2334 (trunkline) loc. 13/18/19 or call 896-2350/58 or better yet, fill up the necessary information below and mail/fax it back to us at : Fax No.: 896-2351 E-mail: iame@pacific.net.ph

The Registrar
International Academy of Management & Economics (I/AME)
1061 Metropolitan Avenue, San Antonio Village, Makati City
Name:__________ Tel. No./Cell. No./Fax No.__________
Address:__________
I am interested in enrolling in: (Please send me some more information)
☐ *Diploma in Management* ☐ *BSBA* ☐ *MBA* ☐ *Ph.D. in Management*

LAOAG

GOOD NEWS FOR TAGBILARAN AND VIRAC TRAVELLERS!

Effective July 01, 2001, Laoag International Airlines will fly DIRECT Manila-Tagbilaran-Manila
Manila-Virac-Manila

LIA Office Domestic Airport Domestic Road Pasay City Tel. (02) 551-48-13 or 551-9729

MAMAMAYAN MUNA
HINDI MAMAYA NA!

ALL TERRAIN FOR UNLIMITED TASKS.

MITSUBISHI
STRADA
ALL AFFORDABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME.

The Mitsubishi L200 Strada 4x4. The all-terrain pickup with a 2.5-liter turbocharged and intercooled diesel engine, 4-wheel drive, a spacious and sturdy cargo bed, and luxurious features inside and out. Now available through Mitsubishi Motors Auto Credit Plans for as low as P150,000 downpayment.

MODEL: **Strada 4x4**
SRP: **P990,000**

TERM	12	18	24	36	48	60
Downpayment	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly
150,000	72,577	50,279	40,137	28,881	23,328	21,161

*Bank Rates as of April 1, 2001
** All plans are subject to bank approval

PROMO ENDS JUNE 30, 2001

MITSUBISHI
STRADA
Fun Functionality in a 4x4

See your nearest Mitsubishi Dealer now!

Per Dti-NCR Permit No. 1720 Series of 2001

Ask us about
Auto credit plans
Service Plus Card

METRO MANILA: CITIMOTORS - Makati - Tels 892-0331 to 42 CITIMOTORS - Las Piñas - Tels 875-1745, 873-6503, 875-1700, 875-1704 DIAMOND MOTOR - Greenhills - Tels 727-0351 to 75, 721-0336, 724-5353 DIAMOND MOTOR - Marcos Highway - Tels 645-4801 to 05, 681-4101, 681-4133 DIAMOND MOTOR - Quezon Avenue - Tels 372-3901 to 15 414-0440 to 42, 414-0433 to 37 DIAMOND MOTOR - Fairview - Tels 935-3731 to 32 418-3042 UNION MOTOR - Abad Santos - Tels 251-7021 to 36, 253-1372 to 74 UNION MOTOR - Paco - Tels 563-8481 to 85, 563-0401 to 07, 563-5079, 563-5089, 563-5088 UNION MOTOR - Kalookan - Tels 364-20-61 to 69 364-0147, 364-0149 364-0422 364-0702 MITSUBISHI MOTORS BALINTAWAK - Tels 330-8001, 330-8003 LUZON: CARWORLD - Pampanga Tels (045) 961-2601 to 03, 961-3460 961-5600, 961-3040, 961-5020 CARWORLD - Tarlac Tels (045) 982-5551 to 53, (045) 982-4040 CARWORLD - Marilao - Tel Nos (044) 711-2805 to 2807, 711-2409 CARWORLD - Malolos - Tels (044) 791-0320, (044) 791-2405 to 06, Cel No (0918) 231-7619 CARWORLD - Olongapo - Tel Nos (047) 224-4307 FREEWAY MOTOR - Baliuag - (044) 766-4235 to 38 FREEWAY MOTOR - Isabela - Tel 682-0401 FREEWAY MOTOR - Cabanatuan - Tels (044) 463-1391 463-5105 MOTORPLAZA - Calasiao - Tels (075) 522-2362, 522-6723, 517-3000 MOTORPLAZA - Urdaneta - Tel (075) 568-2507 568-3312 MOTORPLAZA - Bauang, La Union - Tel (072) 242-0010, 705-5050 MOTORPLAZA - Baguio City (074) 300-3571, 443-0760 SFM SALES - Lipa City - Tels (043) 756-5522 to 25, 756-5194, 756-1018 SFM SALES - San Pablo City Tels (049) 562-0600 562-0601 VISAYAS: AVESCOR MOTORS - Bacolod - Tels (034) 435-2111 to 14, 433-0551 AVESCOR MOTORS - Iloilo City Tels (033) 337-8480 335-0748 MITSUBISHI MOTORS CEBU - Tels (032) 346-1233 420-5777 MITSUBISHI MOTORS DUMAGUETE - Tel (035) 225-1428 MITSUBISHI MOTORS TACLOBAN - Tel (053) 323-3724, MITSUBISHI MOTORS TAGBILARAN Tel (038) 411-5015 MINDANAO: MITSUBISHI MOTORS BUTUAN - Tel (085) 815-3009 MITSUBISHI MOTORS CAGAYAN DE ORO - Tel (088) 856-1546 / (08822) 732-508 KARASIA - Davao/North - Tels (082) 222-1111 to 16 KARASIA - Davao/South - Tels (082) 298-0175 to 77, 298-1490 to 94 KARASIA - Tagum - Tel (084) 217-3682, 400-1037 MINDANAO INTEGRATED-Gen. Santos - Tels (083) 552-4022, 552-4781, 552-7601, 552-7082 ZAMBOANGA MOTORS - Zamboanga City - Tels. (062) 993-0786, 991-2250, 991-2136

MITSUBISHI MOTORS

3 face raps for killing of Aguinaldo

BY E. CALDEZ
AND V. VISAYA JR.
PDI N. Luzon Bureau

TUGUEGARAO CITY—A graduate of the University of the Philippines and two others were charged Wednesday with double murder and frustrated murder in connection with the assassination of Cagayan Rep. Rodolfo Aguinaldo and his aide here Tuesday.

Supt. Ricardo Padilla, Cagayan police director, identified one of the suspects as Felix Robregado, an education graduate at the UP in Diliman, Quezon City.

Police filed the charges against Robregado and his companions, identified as Iner Bulusan and Gerard Mendoza, before the city prosecutor's office a day after Aguinaldo and his policeman-driver, SPO1 Joey Garro, were killed near the congressman's rented apartment.

The three, all natives of Quezon, Isabela, were believed to be members of the New People's Army under the Fortunato Camus Command operating in Cagayan Valley.

The NPA has claimed responsibility for the ambush, saying Aguinaldo, a former military intelligence officer during the Marcos regime, "deserved to die" because of "his long list of heinous crimes against the people."

Task Force Agui, a special police team ordered to pursue the killers, is still waiting for the arrest warrants from the court against Robregado, Bulusan and Mendoza, according to Padilla.

Witnesses have described the three as "young men in their mid-20s."

Aliases?

He said the team was investigating whether Bulusan and Mendoza are the real names of the suspects.

"We are very sure of the identity of Robregado. But Bulusan and Mendoza are using aliases so we are finding out their true identities," Padilla told the INQUIRER by telephone.

He said investigators recovered a sketch of Aguinaldo's house from the upper room of the apartment, where the suspects reportedly stayed.

Witnesses told the police that the suspects rented the room, which fronted Aguinaldo's apartment, on May 22 but left immediately. They, however, returned and occupied the room a day before the killing.

"Task Force Agui is exerting all efforts to arrest the suspects," Padilla said.

Other angles

Although the NPA had claimed responsibility for the killing, the task force would look into other angles, including politics, according to Chief Supt. Dominador Resos Jr., Cagayan Valley police director.

"While it is true that Aguinaldo, in his days as Constabulary officer, played a major role in the decimation of the communist movement in Cagayan, his exploits made him a folk hero and catapulted him to politics," Resos told the INQUIRER.

"His maverick style further endeared him to the populace in Cagayan Valley, but he also earned political enemies especially traditional politicians."

Resos said that when he was the intelligence officer of the police regional command in 1980s, he brought Aguinaldo to Cagayan where the late congressman then worked as Constabulary commander.

Wake

Today, the remains of Aguinaldo will be moved from the Kamaranan Hall at the provincial capitol to his apartment.

After a Mass, his body will be taken to his new house in Lingaling Farm in Barangay Libag here.

On June 16, necrological services will be held at the St. Peter's Cathedral. He will be buried at the Tuguegarao Catholic Cemetery.

Cagayan Rep.-elect Manuel Mamba condemned the murder of Aguinaldo and Garro and appealed to authorities to "ensure that justice and truth will prevail." ***With a report from Gobleth Moulic, PDI Northern Luzon Bureau***

Brains.

HardiFlex®
Fiber Cement Building Boards

FIRE RESISTANT
NOT AFFECTED BY WATER
TERMITE PROOF
ASBESTOS
DOES NOT CONTAIN ASBESTOS

Guaranteed not to rot, burn, be affected by termites when properly installed and contains no asbestos.
10 Year WARRANTY

For those who know the value of durability.

Nothing's as tough — or as smart as HardiFlex® for walls and ceilings in your home. When you're looking for a fiber cement building board that's fire resistant, will not rot or suffer from water or termite damage like plywood, it's always wise to choose HardiFlex®.

Beauty.

New HardiFlex® PRO
Recessed Edge Boards

For the durability you've always needed, with the seamless finish you've always wanted.

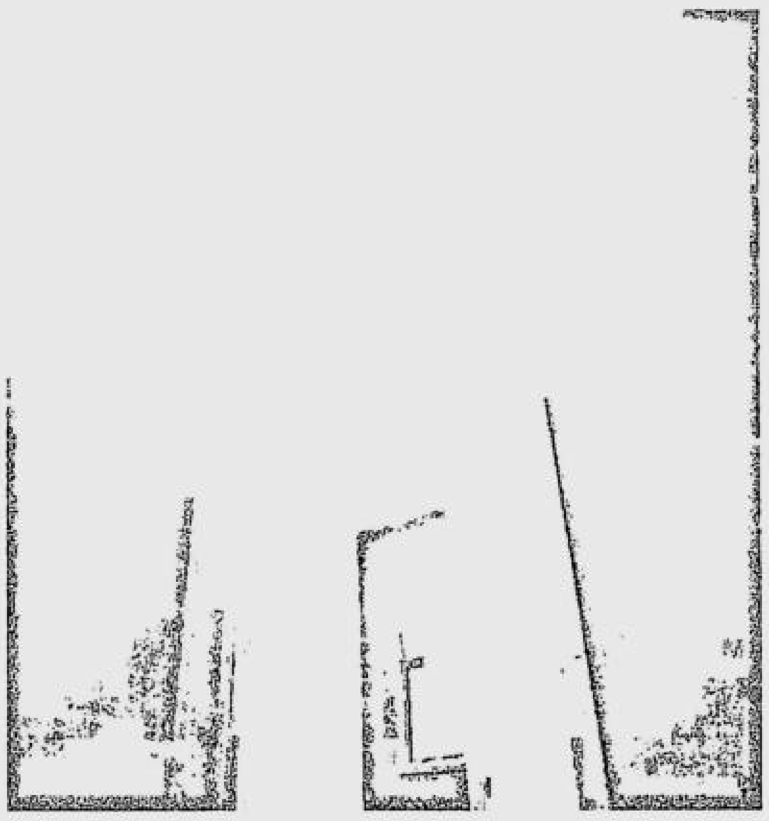
We took lasting durability. And gave it a smooth finish. Introducing HardiFlex® PRO. A tough fiber cement building board with a unique recessed edge to give you a smooth, seamless finish* for your internal walls or ceilings.

Whether you need super tough, super smooth walls and ceilings for your home or commercial establishment, HardiFlex® PRO can give you a professional finish — with the unmatched durability of fiber cement.

FIRE RESISTANT
NOT AFFECTED BY WATER
TERMITE PROOF
ASBESTOS
DOES NOT CONTAIN ASBESTOS
HIGH IMPACT RESISTANCE
WITH RECESSED EDGE

Guaranteed not to rot, burn, be affected by termites when properly installed and contains no asbestos.
10 Year WARRANTY

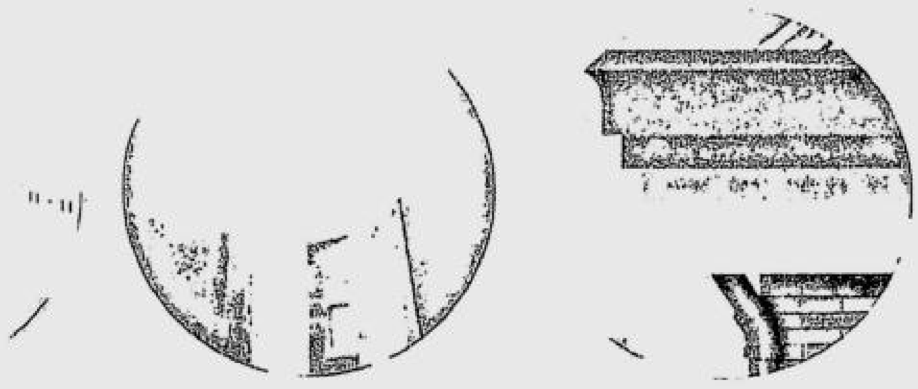
*Using HardiStop jointing compound (Please see installation guide from your suking hardware stores)



Available thicknesses : 4.5 mm, 6 mm & 9 mm

Brawn.

Introducing
HardiFlex® THICK
Multi-Purpose Boards



We've taken toughness to the thickest. And we've made it more useful than ever. New HardiFlex® Thick is made of tough, durable fiber cement. And because we've made it thicker than ever, that means you can use it for more heavy-duty purposes.

HardiFlex® Thick is available in thicknesses of 6 mm & 9 mm. Use it as fascia for cladding to replace ordinary timber senepa. Use it for walls and ceilings in high-impact areas where toughness is important. Use it as baseboards/ dadoboards to protect your wall when furniture is moved around. Use it for windows & doors architraves for aesthetic purposes.

For more inquiries on easy installation, call
895-5427 (Metro Manila)
or 1-800-1-888-5427
(outside Metro Manila)

FIRE RESISTANT
NOT AFFECTED BY WATER
TERMITE PROOF
ASBESTOS
DOES NOT CONTAIN ASBESTOS
HIGH IMPACT RESISTANCE

Guaranteed not to rot, burn, be affected by termites when properly installed and contains no asbestos.
10 Year WARRANTY

And Big Prizes!

HardiFlex
Winning is easy as
1- 2- 3!

The more HardiFlex® boards, HardiFlex® Pro and HardiFlex® Thick you buy, the more chances you have of winning!
Hurry! Promo runs from March 1 until June 30, 2001.

See posters and flyers for details.

James Hardie
Building Products

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0185, Series of 2001.

Appliance & Citibank make it lite and easy

Heavy stuff appliances need not put so much weight on your pocket. This is true especially to Abenson customers and Citibank Card holders. Through CITIBANK Paylite Installment Plan, you can bring home the most sought-after gadgets at the best possible ways.

If the low interest rates aren't enough, wait 'til you are given a choice of 3, 6, 9, 12, 18, or 24 months payment terms. Hey, the longer, the lighter. All you need is a minimum of P5,000 purchase to avail of the payment plans. It's that simple.

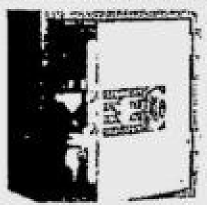
You can choose from a wide selection of participating brands like Sony, Sanyo, JVC, Condura, Pioneer, Philips, Sharp, Whirlpool, LaGermania, Samsung, LG, Carrier, and National. So go ahead, make life light and easy with the cool functions of your brand new color TV, DVD, handycam, washing machine, microwave oven, aircons, or refrigerator.

Abenson's Citibank Paylite Installment Plan is exclusive to CITIBANK Cardholders, and runs from June 15 to 30, 2001. So better visit any of Abenson's 39 branches in Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces now.

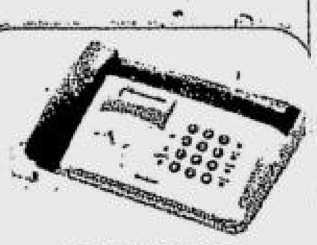
ABENSON

your partner to good life. your partner to good life. your partner to good life. your partner to good life. your partner to good life. your partner to good life.

ALL TELEVISION • ALL DVD PLAYERS • ALL AIRCONS • ALL HANDYCAMS • ALL WASHING MACHINES • ALL MINI COMPONENTS • ALL RANGES • ALL REFRIGERATORS •
LOW INTEREST
LOW LOW RATES
CITIBANK
CITIBANK
PayLite
INSTALLMENT PLAN
The longer, the lighter



diplomat
Safety Vault
ᴾ584/mo.
(12 mos.)



SHARP
Fax Machine
ᴾ607/mo.
(12 mos.)

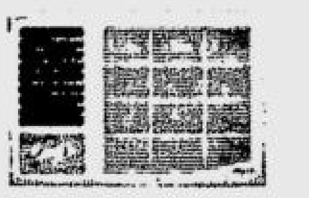
(21")
53.34 cm
FLAT SCREEN

SONY
21" Vega Flat Screen TV
ᴾ1702/mo.
(12 mos.)

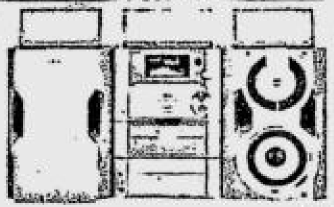
SANYO
21" CTV AV STEREO
ᴾ907/mo.
(12 mos.)

JVC
29" CTV
ᴾ2025/mo.
(12 mos.)

SONY
DIGITAL HANDYCAM
ᴾ4560/mo.
(12 mos.)

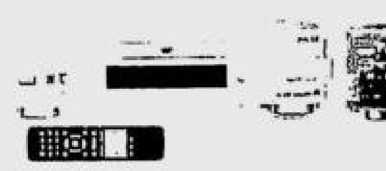


CONDURA
Room Aircon ¾ HP
ᴾ1277/mo.
(12 mos.)

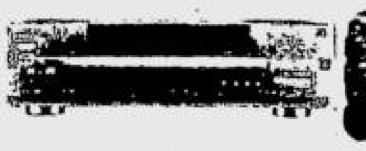


SONY
DVD COMPO 3600W
ᴾ3547/mo.
(12 mos.)

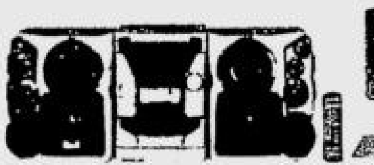
JVC
2-HEAD VHS PLAYER
ᴾ507/mo.
(12 mos.)



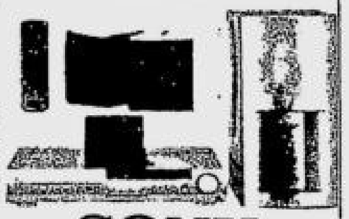
Pioneer
DVD PLAYER DOBY DIGITAL
ᴾ1468/mo.
(12 mos.)



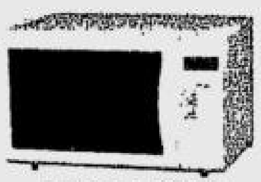
PHILIPS
VCD PLAYER W/ Mp3
ᴾ643/mo.
(12 mos.)



SHARP
CD COMPO 2000W
ᴾ1216/mo.
(12 mos.)



SONY
DVD HOME THEATRE
ᴾ3526/mo.
(12 mos.)

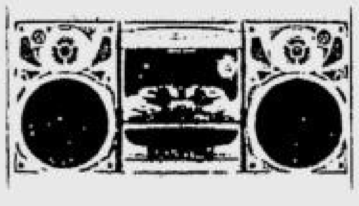


SHARP
MICROWAVE OVEN 800W 22L
ᴾ547/mo.
(12 mos.)

SHARP
4.2 KG TWIN TUB WASHING MACHINE
ᴾ560/mo.
(12 mos.)

Whirlpool
5 kg DRYER
ᴾ1515/mo.
(12 mos.)

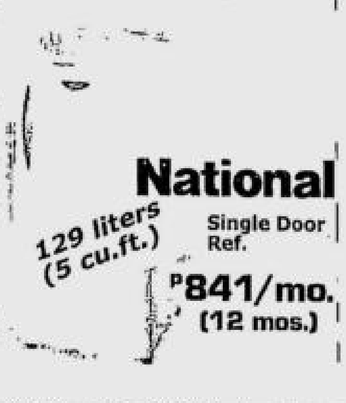
laGERMANIA
2 Gas &
1 Electric
Gas Range
ᴾ1038/mo.
(12 mos.)



Pioneer
CD COMPO 2500 W
ᴾ1012/mo.
(12 mos.)

SAMSUNG
6 kg AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINE
ᴾ810/mo.
(12 mos.)

LG
4.5 kg TWIN TUB WASHING MACHINE
ᴾ607/mo.
(12 mos.)



National
Single Door Ref.
ᴾ841/mo.
(12 mos.)

Upright Freezer
145 Liters (6 cu.ft.)

SANYO
Upright Freezer
ᴾ1128/mo.
(12 mos.)

Carrier
3 Toner
Split Floor Type
ᴾ5320/mo.
(12 mos.)

2-Door Ref.
• 376 Liters (13 cu.ft.)
• No Frost

SAMSUNG
2-door Ref.
ᴾ2279/mo.
(12 mos.)

0.81 Liters
(2.7 cu.ft.)

SANYO
Personal Ref.
ᴾ718/mo.
(12 mos.)

Whirlpool
CHEST FREEZER
ᴾ1672/mo.
(12 mos.)

PER DTI-NCR PERMIT# 1838, SERIES OF 2001

PROMO DURATION: JUNE 15 TO 30, 2001

All prices are computed on 12 month amortization

Alabang tels. 850-8848 to 50; **Ever Ortigas** 656-6643 to 47; **Farmers Cubao** 911-1071; **Alabang Filinvest, Festival Mall** 850-3775 or 79; **Grand Central, Kalookan** 363-5246/363-5338; **Harrison Plaza** 521-8568/69; **Jaka, Sucat** 829-2686/88; **Las Pinas** 872-0576/77; **Mandaluyong** 631-5188/633-9612/631-8161 to 64; **Metropolis, Muntinlupa** 809-8172/74; **Pearl Plaza, Tambo, Paranaque** 851-8401 to 05; **Quad 1, Makati** 812-6748/816-3991; **Regalado, Fairview** 937-5911; **Robinsons Ermita** 536-8029/536-7914; **Robinsons Galleria** 632-9101 to 05; **Rustan's Cubao** 911-2312/13; **Shangri-la Plaza** 638-8017 to 19; **SM City Carpark** 920-9151 to 53/926-8829; **Unimart, Greenhills** 721-0590/84; **Waltermart, Pasong Tamo** 813-4444/894-3730; **Waltermart, E. Rodriguez** 724-2528; **Fiesta World Mall, Lipa, Batangas** (043)404-1657/(043)404-1655; **Meycauayan, Bulacan** (044)228-2117; **Carmona, Cavite** (046)430-2702 to 04; **Imus, Cavite- Lotus Mall** (046)515-5749; **Robinsons Imus** (046)471-8020/30; **Gen.Trias, Cavite** (046)419-1150; **Rosario, Cavite** (046)438-5450; **Waltermart, Dasmarinas** (046)416-2104; **Olivares Mall, Biñan, Laguna** (049)241-2651; **Pavillion Mall, Biñan, Laguna** (049)411-4510/11; **San Pablo, Laguna** (049)562-8242; **Waltermart, Calamba, Laguna** (049)545-7035; **Waltermart, Sta. Rosa, Laguna** (049)549-1243; **Cainta, Sta. Lucia 1** 645-0402/04; **Cainta 2, Sta. Lucia 3** 681-5301 to 05; and, **Luisita, Tarlac** (045)985-1278.

BRIDAL GIFT REGISTRY @Abenson

Good news for soon-to-be couples! Abenson is now offering the Bridal Gift Registry services for free!

Abenson's Bridal Registry is the most convenient way of gift selection and shopping. It's convenient for the engaged couples, as well as their guests. It's one sure way of making the wedding day extra special.

For the couples, Abenson gives you an exciting experience of choosing the gifts you want and need. For your relatives and friends, Abenson saves them the time spent for shopping around and looking for bridal gifts.

A wide selection of appliances awaits you, ranging from audio-video to home appliances, and small appliances to home furnishing. All at affordable prices.

All you have to do is visit an Abenson branch either at Robinsons Galleria or Shangri-la (both located at the basement area) and enjoy selecting gifts as you enter a new, and exciting life; a life with a partner; and, a life of comfort with the latest in appliance technology. We will help you start your married life at easy and affordable ways.

No more gift duplications or receiving the gifts you already have. Through Abenson's Bridal Gift Registry, you are sure to start things right. Simply call Abenson-Galleria at 6329101 to 05 or Abenson-Shangri-la at 6388017 to 19 and look for the branch officers who will serve as your bridal consultants. What's more, you can get a lifetime free membership on Abenson Value Club by simply registering.

myAyala.com
GLORIETTA

2 hostages released for ₱10 million

(From page A1)

the situation. We are focused on the pursuit operation," Dominguez told the INQUIRER.

In Kuala Lumpur, a Malaysian who negotiated with the Abu Sayyaf during last year's Sipadan hostage crisis told Reuters yesterday that two Filipino hostages would be freed later in the day.

The Malaysian, who asked not to be named, said he had spoken by phone to Abu Sabaya, spokesperson for the Abu Sayyaf, and secured a promise for the release of two hostages.

"I said 'Why don't you release the hostages?' He said 'I will release two as a gift to you,'" the Malaysian said.

It is unclear whether this has any connection with the release of Jao and Chua.

The Malaysian said Sabaya had indicated that the two hostages would be freed between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., but did not say where.

In Lantawan, residents begged the President to ensure the safe release of their relatives being held by the Abu Sayyaf.

The bandits rounded up 15 male workers of the Golden Harvest plantation in Barangay Tairan on Monday and used them as cover to evade the pursuing troops who set up a blocking force in Barangay Kanibungan here last week.

"*Presidente, parang awa mo na, tulungan ninyo kaming mapalabas ang aming anak at asawa* (Have pity on us. Help us secure the freedom of our children and husbands)," said Nurija Perillo, whose husband Vicente and their two sons were taken by the bandits.

Lourdes Valdesamor, mother of 16-year-old Ruben, made a similar desperate appeal to Ms Macapagal.

"We're very poor. We don't even have money to buy rice. We can't afford to pay ransom," Valdesamor said in Filipino.

Speaking in Tausug, Gerome Falcasantos urged the bandits to release his father Primitibo, a plantation guard.

"We are the same—Muslims. Please don't hurt my father, my friends and relatives. We are poor. If you are a real Muslim, free them in the name of Allah," he said.

Falcasantos said Moros and Christians were "united" in the plantation. "But when the Abu Sayyaf came, our good relations here were ruined," he said.

He urged the government to stop the military operations against the Abu Sayyaf and negotiate for the hostages' release.

Perillo said the bandits told the Christian residents to pray in Muslim. She said the women were ordered to wear a *turong* (headdress), "or they will kill us."

"They hate Christians. That's why they burned our chapel," said Carmen Ambrosio, whose house had been razed.

Lantawan Mayor Tahira Ismael said the plantation stopped operations three years ago because of management problems.

"The problem now is they have nothing to eat. They can't harvest the coconuts because they're afraid to be seen by the Abu Sayyaf," Ismael said.

In good health

Residents of Tipo-Tipo, Basilan, saw the missionary couple Martin and Gracia Burnham last weekend before the supposed beheading of their co-American hostage, the Associated Press reported yesterday.

The information was supplied yesterday by Tipo-Tipo Mayor Joel Maturan, who said Martin was in camouflage fatigues while Gracia wore a Muslim headdress.

Maturan said the Burnhams appeared in good health and in notably better spirits than in their last sighting on June 2, during a fight between government troops and Abu Sayyaf bandits in Lamitan.

The hostages who escaped during the battle said the Burnhams and the other American, Guillermo Sobero, were then trembling and fearful.

Military officials said they received unconfirmed reports that the Burnhams were spotted again Tuesday on the eastern side of Basilan, but gave no details.

Abu Sayyaf spokesperson Abu Sabaya announced Tuesday that his group had beheaded Sobero as an "Independence Day gift" to the President.

But well into the third day of a search and still with no sign of Sobero's body, officials said the bandits could be lying about his murder.

Sabaya had threatened to kill more hostages, and even *ulama* (Muslim religious leaders) who had condemned his group's activities.

Even Moro communities were starting to fear the Abu Sayyaf, particularly after a religious scholar in Tipo-Tipo, identified by Mayor Maturan as Mohaimen Latip, was reported Wednesday as having been beheaded by the group.

But Sabaya, in a call to Radio Mindanao Network shortly before 1 p.m. yesterday, denied the reported beheading of the religious leader, Ustadz Muhaimin Latip Sahi.

According to Sabaya, Sahi is alive and is in their custody. He also denied killing Sahi's supposed companion.

Sabaya said they detained Sahi on suspicion that he was a government spy. He said they would not free Sahi as he could be used by the military to trace their group.

'I'm still alive'

Sabaya allowed someone who claimed to be Sahi to speak over RMN.

The man, who identified himself as Muhaimin, said he was detained by the Abu Sayyaf because he failed to coordinate with the group before entering its camp.

"It's not true that I was beheaded. I'm here, I'm still alive," the man said in Filipino.

He said he voluntarily went to the camp to negotiate with the bandits after civilian leaders urged him to.

He went on to enumerate personal circumstances to prove his identity.

The man claiming to be Sahi confirmed the beheading of American hostage Sobero, but said he did not actually witness this. He said the hostages had been separated into groups. *With Inquirer wires*

Abu Sayyaf offers ₱50,000 . . .

(From page A1)

Brig. Gen. Edilberto Adan, Armed Forces spokesperson, said that for starters "a few hundreds" would be armed in Lamitan, a town that was raided by the Abu Sayyaf on June 2.

"The Army and PNP (Philippine National Police) have started organizing and screening civilians who will be authorized to bear government-issued firearms," Adan said in his regular briefing yesterday.

Adan said not all civilian recruits would undergo basic training as many of them were trained last year as members of the Civilian Armed Force Geographical Units (Cafgu).

"It's only a matter of providing them with firearms," Adan said.

He said authorities were only waiting for the end of the election period because of its gun ban. "Firearms are now available," Adan said.

Mayors would also be provided with satellite telephones to report the movements of the Abu Sayyaf, said officials, amid reports the bandits and their hostages had split into four groups.

"People have the right and responsibility to defend themselves," Interior Secretary Jose Lina said, after he and Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes met with local government officials in Isabela, the capital of Basilan.

Lina and Reyes said they held a strategy meeting with Governor Akbar and the mayors of Basilan's seven municipalities to plan measures to prevent the Abu Sayyaf from carrying out further attacks.

"We talked about strengthening home defense units," Lina said.

Reyes said civilian defense groups required further training to qualify as militiamen. "They have to be trained and managed by the military," he said.

Another attack in Lantawan

Lantawan came under attack again on Wednesday.

More than 80 Abu Sayyaf bandits attacked the Lantawan *poblacion* in an attempt to seize the municipal hall Wednesday night.

But elements of the 1st Army Scout Ranger and Cafgu members were able to thwart the attack, Lantawan Mayor Ismael said.

The mayor told reporters that a clash ensued for hours, until the troops chased the bandits, who fled to the coastal barangay of Asong Asong, also in Lantawan.

Ismael confirmed that the group was responsible for the abduction of the 15 hostages from the Golden Harvest plantation and the burning of 10 houses, six copra warehouses and a chapel in the plantation.

She said the group, which escaped to the mangrove area of Barangay Bulanza, was led by Abu Sayyaf Commander Istilun Hatilunes. *With reports from Allan A. Nawal and Joel B. Escovilla, PDI Mindanao Bureau; and, AFP*

Aguinaldo murder . . .

(From page A1)

Jalandoni added it was "regrettable" that the government panel headed by Silvestre Bello III declared a "unilateral recess" because of Aguinaldo's killing.

The negotiations were originally set to end on Friday but Bello's panel decided to go on "recess" two days earlier.

In a sign that the goodwill present at the start of the talks on Monday had vanished, Bello refused to appear side-by-side with Jalandoni for the first time since the talks resumed.

Shouting match

Jalandoni told the INQUIRER by phone from Oslo that tensions flared yesterday when Bello handed him a letter condemning the NDF for the killing of Aguinaldo.

"There was a little tension because of the emphatic presentation of positions," Jalandoni said regarding reports that he and Bello had a shouting match.

Jalandoni said the NDF rejected the government panel's condemnation and justified the killing.

He said Aguinaldo was a "legitimate target" of the NPA and his killing was in "accordance with international humanitarian laws," Jalandoni told the INQUIRER by phone from Oslo.

"It is regrettable that the big potential to advance the peace process and resolve the armed conflict for the past 32 years would break down because the GRP (government) is standing by a sadistic violator of human rights who was rendered just punishment for his crimes to the people," Jalandoni said.

Peace talks with the communists have been going on and off for the past 11 years. They resumed Monday, the second session since a three-year break. Norway is hosting but not participating in the talks.

The government and the communists began talks in neutral Oslo in late April, but both sides elected not to sign an interim ceasefire while negotiations were going on.

Ms Macapagal has set an ambitious October 2002 armistice target with the NDF, the political wing of the communists and the 11,500-strong NPA.

Justification

Jalandoni described Aguinaldo, killed by the Fortunato Camus Command of the NPA, as a "sadistic violator of human rights" for the past 28 years.

He said Aguinaldo's involvement in cases of salvaging, torture, rape and disappearances since the '70s had been "well-documented" by the Amnesty International and in a US court in Hawaii in the human rights case against dictator Marcos.

"Aguinaldo had been scot-free for 28 years and it was the responsibility of the GRP to bring him to justice. Now what the NPA did was in response to the cry of the families of his victims," Jalandoni said.

Criminal

On the other hand, Bello condemnned Aguinaldo's killing as "a criminal offense."

"While we are talking peace here, they continue to commit hostilities. This is not in keeping with our mutual commitment to extend goodwill," he told The Associated Press.

The presidential adviser on the peace talks, Eduardo Ermita, said the killings undermined trust.

"I don't think it's right that while we are talking of peace, the confidence on both sides is not being developed because they have continued their assassinations, especially of government officials," he said.

"The fact that the dastardly act was committed in the midst of peace negotiations is an affront to the spirit of reconciliation," said Cerge Remonde, spokesperson for the government panel.

Waiting for instructions

Bello said negotiations would not resume until President Macapagal "shall have given us instructions" and the NDF gives a satisfactory explanation for the assassination.

"It's not really our intention to suspend the talks," Ermita clarified. "The panel will ask for the guidance of the President and Cabinet Cluster E on the issue."

Jalandoni was hopeful. He said that NDF panelists and consultants, including himself, Sison, his wife, Juliet de Lima-Sison, Raffy Baylosis, Sotero Llamas and Romeo Capulong would remain in Oslo for the next few days hoping that the Bello's panel would change its mind.

While the NPA has admitted settling old scores, the government panel has insisted that the arrest, trial and prosecution of human rights violators is the sole prerogative of the government.

Ermita said some of the government negotiators would be back in Manila by today. *With reports from Inquirer wires*

Palace: Hospital best for Erap

(From page A1)

when we don't have enough helicopters to fly," Tiglao said.

But he stressed that the government would "follow to the letter the rule of the Sandiganbayan."

Tiglao also said defense lawyers had asked the court to allow the Estradas to attend the July 23 opening of Congress, where Ms Macapagal is scheduled to deliver her first State of the Nation Address (Sona).

Ms Macapagal's spokesperson did not rule out the possibility.

"They're still evaluating that," he said.

"Of course every Filipino citizen should hear her Sona, but the problem is where."

Estrada's hospital ward is equipped with cable television, where he has been closely following the US National Basketball Association finals.

Despite a medical bulletin giving the former leader and his son a clean bill of health to travel, the Sandiganbayan's third division did not yesterday give the PNP a timeframe to return the Estradas to Fort Sto. Domingo.

'10 days to evaluate'

The anti-graft court junked the Estradas' petition for house arrest Saturday, but instructed attending physicians to report whether father and son, who suffer from various ailments, needed to remain in the hospital.

Tiglao said the government believed it had 10 days to comply with the court order.

"The Sandiganbayan's order really was 10 days to submit (the medical bulletin), which means that what the Veterans' doctors submitted yesterday may have to be reevaluated within 10 days," he said.

"So right now, we have taken cognizance of that report . . . and the PNP chief would still be evaluating 'it," he added.

Ms Macapagal, Tiglao said, would then have to evaluate Mendoza's recommendation.

Enrile, Maceda off hook?

The Macapagal administration yesterday seemed in a conciliatory mood with other Estrada allies as well, saying that it may drop rebellion charges against Juan Ponce Enrile and former Ambassador to the United States Ernesto Maceda.

Justice Secretary Hernando Perez said he would meet with senior state prosecutors to get their views on withdrawing the charges.

Both men were jailed last month but subsequently granted provisional freedom in connection with the May 1 siege on the Malacañang by Estrada supporters.

Maceda and Enrile are awaiting trial on charges they instigated the riot.

"President (Macapagal) said we should explore the possibility of forging reconciliation with various parties so we are going to study it and I will talk with the various parties if it is feasible," Perez told reporters.

"This is consistent with the policy of reconciliation and healing of the wounds," he added.

Erap-Chavit reunion

Speaking of wounds, Estrada and his nemesis, Ilocos Sur Gov. Luis "Chavit" Singson, may finally get the chance to heal theirs next week when the Sandiganbayan begins bail hearings in connection with the deposed President's plunder case.

The anti-graft court's third division yesterday subpoenaed Singson to attend the morning bail hearings of Estrada's co-accused former lawyer, Edward Serapio, from June 19 to 28.

Estrada and Jinggoy had earlier been ordered to attend the 10-day hearings.

If both the former President and the whistle-blower show up, it will be the first time for Estrada to be seen in public with his former gambling buddy since the latter accused him last year of accepting "jueteng" money and tobacco tax kickbacks.

It will also be the jailed leader's first time to appear in public since his arrest in April. Prior to his arrest, he was busy campaigning for opposition candidates running in the May elections.

Bank officials, too

Singson, a star witness for government prosecutors since Estrada's aborted impeachment trial, will testify chiefly on the so-called Juetengate scandal and P130 million in tobacco excise taxes allegedly pocketed by Estrada.

The defense panel, however, has moved to have Singson included among the accused in the plunder case for being the self-confessed chief collector or "bagman" in the jueteng bribery scheme.

The court has also sent subpoenas to six officials of Equitable PCI-Bank, where Estrada's jueteng bribe collections were allegedly deposited in an account under the alias "Jose Velarde."

The court has ordered either Equitable-PCIBank President Deogracias Vistan or his representative Annie Ngo to appear. It has also subpoenaed branch managers Rosario Bautista, Emma Gonzales, Shakira Yu, Edgardo Alcaraz and Vergel Pabillon.

Where to demonstrate

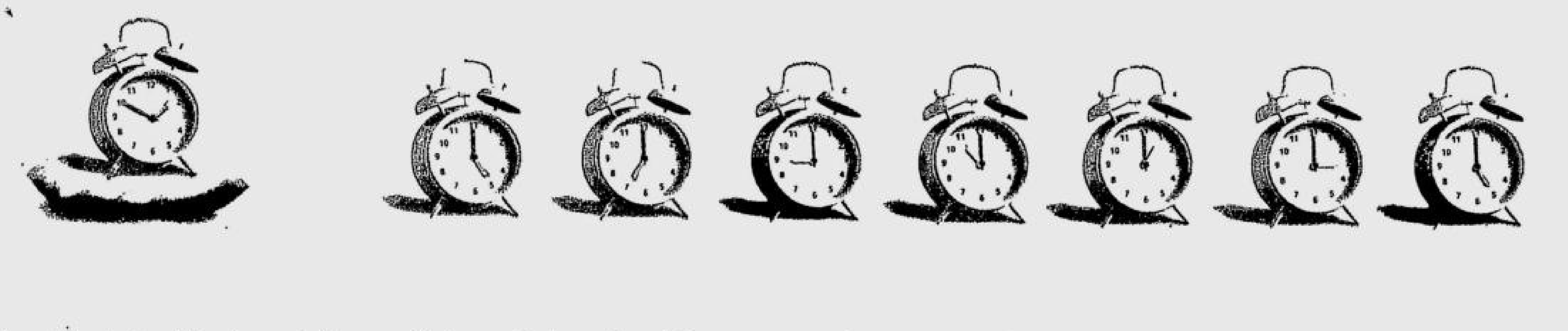
Yesterday, court security was already being beefed up amid concerns that pro- and anti-Estrada groups would hold simultaneous and potentially violent mass actions on the Sandiganbayan grounds during the hearings.

Police Supt. Cesar Elenzano, overall ground commander for the Sandiganbayan area, said around 800 police and military officers, including Marines, will be deployed at the site, with 300 more personnel on standby.

There will be "designated areas" for demonstrators, he said. Opponents of Estrada will be allowed to occupy the area in front of the Sandiganbayan Centennial Building, while his supporters will be limited to the Batasan Road portion of the compound.

According to the plan, Elenzano said, the Estradas will be flown by chopper from the Veterans Memorial Medical Center to the Batasan complex, both in Quezon City, and from there they will be transported by land to the Sandiganbayan. *With a report from AFP*

MANILA-CEBU-MANILA 8x DAILY



Be the first to fly to or from Cebu. Take the Mactan Express Early Bird.

INTRODUCING
MACTAN EXPRESS
EARLY BIRD
P2,049* ONE WAY

MANILA to CEBU FLT. NO.	FREQ.	ETD	ETA	CEBU to MANILA FLT. NO.	FREQ.	ETD	ETA
5J-557	Daily	0150	0300	5J-558	Daily	0350	0500
5J - 559	Daily	0500	0610	5J - 560	Daily	0700	0810
5J - 561	Daily	0700	0810	5J - 562	Daily	0900	1010
5J - 563	Daily	0900	1010	5J - 564	Daily	1100	1210
5J - 565	Daily	1100	1210	5J - 566	Daily	1300	1410
5J - 567	Daily	1300	1410	5J - 568	Daily	1500	1610
5J - 569	Daily	1500	1610	5J - 570	Daily	1700	1810
5J - 571	Daily	1700	1810	5J - 572	Daily	1900	2010

Note: All fares do not include government tax. They are subject to CAB approval and may change without prior notice. Child's fare and other regular discounts are applicable against normal fares only.

* Valid only on 5J-557 / 5J-558

MACTAN EXPRESS
EARLY BIRD

CEBU PACIFIC
The OnTime, Great Value Airline.

Summit
Many Happy Returns

Call Manila: (02) 636-4938
Call Cebu: (032) 255-4040
or the Sales Agent nearest you
www.cebupacificair.com

GMA guest of honor in kids sportsfest

CARRION

THE PHILIPPINE Sports Commission is optimistic that new talents from one of the least privileged sectors of society will be discovered as the Palaro ng Batang Lansangan kicks off tomorrow at the Rizal Memorial Track and Field Oval with President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo as guest of honor.

"Streetchildren best exemplify dynamism and boldness. Their first street lesson taught them to be wily and tough. The PSC is very hopeful that the PNBL will yield potentials in sports," said PSC Commissioner Cynthia L. Carrion, organizing committee chair.

Saddened by the predicament of economic difficulty and social dislocation of streetchildren, Arroyo, Carrion said, expressed her concern and wants street kids to be alleviated and saved from further harm and exploitation from society.

"Sports is a dynamic force and a necessity specially for the youth. Through sports, the Arroyo administration hopes to develop the streetchildren's all-around personality for a productive citizenship and worthwhile existence," Carrion said.

The PNBL, presented by Caltex Philippines, is supported by the Ginintuan at Makabayang Alay Foundation, the Department of Health, Armed Forces of the Philippines—Philippine National Police, Pepsi Cola Philippines, Lifeline, Sage Casino, Tourist Trade and Travel Corp., Prama Foundation and Philtranco.

Big stride for horseracing

CLEAN LIVING

Manolo R. Iñigo

I READ with great satisfaction the news that horseracing, a sport close to my heart, has attained solid success despite the prevailing difficult times. As a matter of fact, the "King of sports" has surprisingly preserved its widespread popularity even if it hardly gets regular special treatment from the sports media like basketball.

Take for example the historic Manila Jockey Club.

Now undergoing a continuing program of improving its facilities and services, MJC president lawyer Alfonso "Boy" Reyno recently reported a healthy gross sales of more than P114.3 million for its five-day calendar at the San Lazaro Hippodrome.

In last Sunday's well-attended JV Ongpin Cup, the second jewel of the prestigious Triple Crown, the pioneer racing club in Southeast Asia grossed more than P34 million, proof enough that the sport so enjoying tremendous stride and the confidence of the betting public. Last May 27, MJC also hosted an equally successful Founders' Cup, now known as the Prieto Cup in honor of the members of the Prieto family, one of the original incorporators of the club.

On June 24, "Araw ng Maynila Day," a new set of high caliber races is on tap of highlight this year's staging of the 22nd Gran Copa de Manila, with another robust gross sales anticipated.

"We are preparing exciting races for the *bayang karerista*," Reyno said. "And we would like to thank the industry's direct players—the horse owners, jockeys, trainers and race officials—without whose efforts and cooperation MJC would not have come up with these excellent programs."

For his part, MJC executive vice president and chief operating officer lawyer Roberto Reverente said, "We are honored to host again this blue-ribbon event which would benefit not only the horseracing industry but the government as well from taxes derived from the expected record sales." Taxes paid by MJC to the government and contributions to charitable causes reached P385 million in 1999.

The unprecedented popularity of horseracing has spread not only in Metro Manila but also across the nation, thanks largely to a great technological advancement, the patronage of the public and the proliferation of OTBs (off track betting stations) in both the MJC and the Philippine Racing Club in Santa Ana.

For example, MJC operates close to 200 OTBs in Metro Manila and neighboring provinces, with future plans of installing satellite feeds that can provide audio and video signals to the whole archipelago. Founded in 1867 by a group of sportsmen led by then Spanish Governor General Jose de la Gandara, MJC was the first racing club in Southeast Asia. Its early roster of founding members was a veritable "who's who" in government and business. Among them were John McLeod, Mauro Prieto, Manuel Torres, Francisco Beech, Rafael Roces, Charles Barnes, Rafael Valdes and Manuel Valdes.

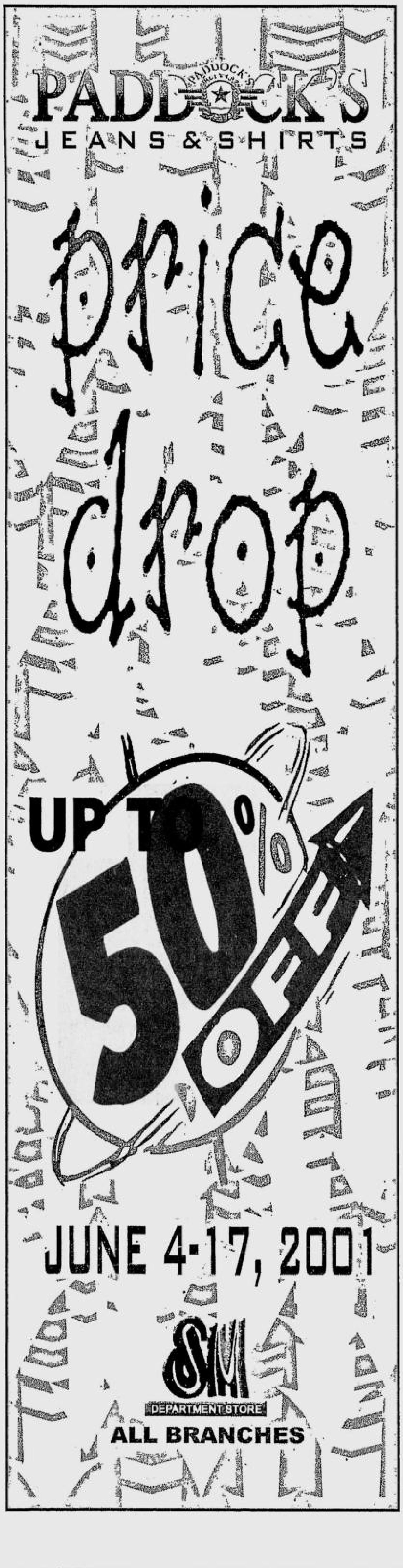
Because the club was organized purely for fun and there was no betting, races were held only once a year. In 1881, race meeting were gradually increased to twice a year—in February or early March—for three successive days. Betting was introduced in 1903. In March 1937, the club adopted a more businesslike management style, becoming incorporated as the Manila Jockey Club Inc., with Vicente Singson Encarnacion as its first corporate president. Rafael Roces served as president from 1939 to 1956, Dr. Manuel Valdes starting in 1957 and much alter Leopoldo Prieto. Alfonso Reyno Jr. assumed the presidency in 1997.

Big Dome to host World Slasher Derby

BIGGER and better than ever, the much-awaited World Slasher 8-Cock Derby unfolds on June 18, 20 and 22 at the Araneta Coliseum pitting the very best battle birds of renowned American cocker-breeders against their Filipino counterparts.

Billed as the "Olympics of Cockfighting," it will be marked by the traditional press launch tomorrow (Saturday) noon at the Gazebo of the Big Dome where the participants will meet the tri-media.

Defending champion Roger Roberts, a 62-year-old electrical engineer from Atlanta, Georgia, will head the roster of entries in the derby hosted by coliseum owner Jorge "Nene" Araneta, Gov. Ito Ynares and the Firefly Group and sponsored by Thunderbird Power Feeds of Univet. Also in the fold are Eddie and Bomboy Araneta of Liza Galore and PBRJ Binangonan's Gov. Ito Ynares and Boyboy Roa, who scored six points each to finish joint winners of last Wednesday's season-ending NCA (National Cockers Association) 7-Cock Derby.



PADDOCK'S
JEANS & SHIRTS
price drop
UP TO 50% OFF
JUNE 4-17, 2001
SM DEPARTMENT STORE
ALL BRANCHES

Guaranteed 50% Off on all pictured items!
sports house
All the games you play!

NITRO PROTECTIVE GEAR SET WITH ELBOW & KNEE GUARD ₱749.95 Before: P1,499.95
SURE WEIGH WEIGHING SCALE AVAILABILITY END OF JUNE ₱299.95 Before: P599.95
CAMRY ALL GLASS WEIGHING SCALE AVAILABILITY END OF JUNE ₱1,695 Before: P3,390
GOOD STAR STEEL SCOOTER ₱597.50 Before: P1,195
HAWK 4 WHEEL SCOOTER ₱1,747.50 Before: P3,495.00
UNIVERSAL SPORTS HELMET ₱397.50 Before: P795.00
18th Anniversary SALE
June 15 to July 15, 2001
SPORTS SHADES ₱99.95 Before: P199.95
SPORTS CAP ₱99.95 Before: P199.95
SAFEBET SCOOTER HELMET ₱449.95 Before: P899.95
ALL EZE CYCLING GLASSES 50% OFF
DUNK BASKETBALL Board with Ring ₱2,250 Before: P4,500
DUNK BASKETBALL COURT STAND & BASE ₱5,499.95 Before: P11,000
VOIT BASKETBALL (LEATHER LOOK) ₱199.95 Before: P399.95
SAFEBET MOTOR BIKE HELMET ₱749.95 Before: P1,500
KOMDA MOUNTAIN BIKE •DUAL SHOCK • 21 SPEED ₱4,999.95 Before: P9,999.95
MENLOW JOGGING PANTS ₱299.95 Before: P599.95

Other products available on sale!

40% Off
- Outdoor Avenues Support
- Mikasa Basketballs
- Molten Basketballs
- VOIT Rubber Basketballs

30% Off
- ASS 7 Feet Billiard Table
- ASS 8 Feet Billiard Table
- CAMP 11 Function Pocket Knife
- CAMP Multi Purpose Toolkit
- CAMP Multi Function Pliers
- SMC Sports Sandals
- SUPER 12 Ways Treadmill

20% Off
- SMC Swim Goggles
- SMC Diving Masks
- SMC Snorkels
- SMC Inflatable Boats and Floaters

PER DTI-NCR PERMIT NO.: 1808 SERIES OF 2001

For all your sports and fitness needs call sports house at the following branches:
SH Gilmore - 721-2480 / 721-5553 Fax: 722:-2869 | Robinson's Galleria - 632-0981 | SM Fairview - 418-6260 | SM Centerpoint - 716-1007
SM Southmall - 806-2511 | SM North EDSA - 928-6834 / 927-9725 | All Mall - 911-1532 | SM Bacoor - (046) 417-0564
Plaza Luisita Mall, Tarlac - (045) 985-1192 | Session Rd., Baguio City - (074) 442-8285 | SM City Cebu - (032) 232-1384
Fiesta World Mall, Lipa City - (043) 404-1775 | SM Iloilo Delgado- (033) 336-3972 | SM City Iloilo - (033) 320-6972 | Harrison Plaza - 525-5279
Robinson's Place, Bacolod City - (034) 441-1103 | SM City Pampangga - (045) 9616346 | SM Megamall - 633-5052 Makati 8175361
Now Open! SM Sucat Branch Tel.:820-2764

Pay Day @ WM WESTERN

MAJOR CREDIT CARDS

JUNE 15, 16 & 17 ONLY

SHOCK FREE rates ON INSTALLMENT

FREE GIVEAWAYS ON SELECT BUYS

APPLIANCE & ELECTRONICS FAIR
At Ever-Commonwealth Atrium: Until July 2, 2001

PHILIPS

Ultra Lightweight Dry Iron (HD 1172)
Before: ₱679.75
SPECIAL PROMO PRICE: ₱629.

Daisy Rechargeable Vacuum (HR 6045)
Before: ₱1,350.75
SPECIAL PROMO PRICE: ₱1199.

• SHOCK-FREE RATES •

IMAX
(16") Stand Fan
NOW ONLY ₱995.

VIDEO CD PLAYER as low as ₱2795.
DVCD/VIDEO CD/CD/MP3 Compatible Amplifier with Free MIC

VHS CASSETTE PLAYER as low as ₱2499.
Auto Head Cleaner • Auto Functions • Digital Auto Tracking

• SHOCK-FREE RATES • • SHOCK-FREE RATES • • SHOCK-FREE RATES • • SHOCK-FREE RATES •

National
FREE TRAVELING PACK
(3/4 HP) Window-Type Room Aircon 7596 Kj/HR.
₱853.30

TCL
(21") CTV • AV Stereo Sound Audio-Video In/Out • AutoVolt
₱498.94

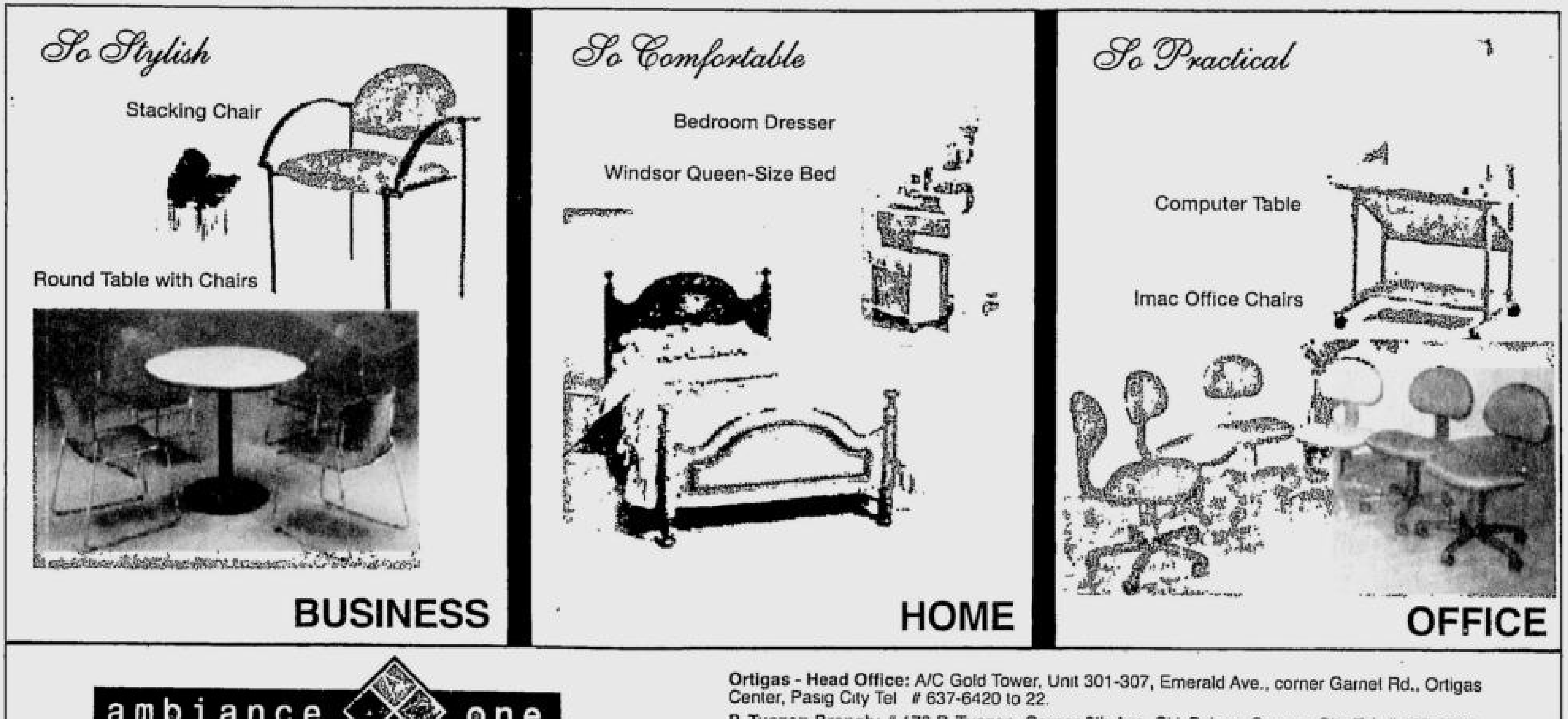
SONY
FREE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR
(48") Projection TV • EF Series, Super Pro-Optic System, 2-Tuner PIP
₱7808.38

JVC
FREE VCD
COLOR TV SUPER VCD PACKAGE
(21") Color TV W/Twin Speakers & 2200 W PMPO, Super VCD Mini Component System W/Karaoke
₱1201.66

Installment Prices Shown Based On EQUITABLE SHOCK-FREE Rates

MANILA · MAKATI · CUBAO · ARANETA CENTER · NEW FARMERS · KALOOKAN · GRAND CENTRAL · SPDM Q.C. · COMMONWEALTH · WESTERN MEGAMALL · AIRPORT CITIMALL · FESTIVAL MALL

STA. ROSA BRANCH
NOW OPEN
2nd Level
TARGET MALL
STA ROSA COMMERCIAL COMPLEX


So Stylish
Stacking Chair
Round Table with Chairs
BUSINESS

So Comfortable
Bedroom Dresser
Windsor Queen-Size Bed
HOME

So Practical
Computer Table
Imac Office Chairs
OFFICE

ambiance one
Fine Furniture

Ortigas - Head Office: A/C Gold Tower, Unit 301-307, Emerald Ave., corner Garnet Rd., Ortigas Center, Pasig City Tel # 637-6420 to 22.

P. Tuazon Branch: # 179 P. Tuazon, Corner 8th Ave. St.; Cubao, Quezon City Tel. # 437-6770; **Filinvest, Alabang Branch:** 3/F Festival Supermall, Filinvest, Alabang, Muntinlupa City Tel. # 850-3746•850-3757•850-3758; **Sta. Rosa, Laguna Branch:** 3rd Flr. Target Mall, Sta. Rosa Complex, Brgy. Balibago, Laguna Tel. # 699-2319.

Welcoat takes Game 1

By Dennis U. Eroa

Games Tomorrow (Makati Coliseum)
2 p.m.—GIV Beauty Soap vs Ana Freezers
4 p.m.—Welcoat Paints vs Shark Energy

BIRTHDAY boy Ren Ren Ritualo gifted himself with a crucial three-point shot last night as defending champion Welcoat Paints subdued Shark Energy Drink, 58-57, and gained a headstart in the best-of-seven title showdown for the PBL Chairman's Cup at the Makati Coliseum.

With three seconds remaining in Welcoat's shotclock, Ritualo, who turned 23, buried a triple off Michael Robinson for a 58-55 Welcoat lead.

But Shark was far from finished as Rolly Basilides was fouled in the ensuing play by Eugene Tan in the three-point area, 13.3 seconds left.

Basilides, hero of Shark's 96-93 triple overtime win over GIV on Tuesday, bucked the jeering Welcoat crowd as he calmly sank the first two penalties, only to miss the third.

Again, Shark had a chance to salvage the game when Tan lost the ball following a baseline battle with Warren Ybañez, 6.7 seconds left.

Shark's hopes fizzled though when Basilides tripped while driving for the basket as time expired.

Unable to solve Welcoat's crippling zone defense, Shark struggled most of the way before Ken Gumpenberger, subbing for the unsteady Chester Tolomia, hit two straight triples for a 52-45 Shark lead, 3:55 left.

And then Basilides answered Ritualo's triple with a triple as Shark stayed ahead, 55-50, 2:36 left, but it proved to be the last field goal for the Power Boosters.

In the first game, GIV Beauty Soap banked on an avalanche of third quarter points to whip uninspired Ana Freezers, 100-87, and move to within a win of snatching third place.

WELCOAT 58—Ritualo 18, Cruz 7, De Ocampo 7, Manalo 6, Encarnacion 6, Canlas 4, Tolentino 4, Carmona 4, Patrimonio 2, Tan 0.

SHARK 57—Basilides 14, Tolomia 13, Rodriguez 8, Castro 7, Gumpenberger 6, Sotto 5, Malabanan 2, Robinson 2, Ybañez 0, Limare 0, Balares 0.

Quarters 16-21, 34-34, 42-44, 58-57

Negros eyes MBA lead

By Roy Luarca

MBA FIRST PHASE

Standings	W	L
LBC Batangas	3	0
Negros	3	0
Andok's San Juan	2	1
Cebuana Lhuillier	2	1
FedEx Laguna	0	2.
Davao	0	2
Socsargen	0	2
Nueva Ecija	0	2

Games Today
(Cebu City Coliseum)
3:00 p.m.—Socsargen vs Negros
5:30 p.m.—San Juan vs Cebu

THEIR first encounter on Sunday was an eye-opener. Though Negros won over Socsargen, it was far from convincing. The 93-91 thriller roused suspicion that there were still chinks in the Slashers' armor, while giving the impression that the Marlins couldn't sustain a fiery run.

They clash again today with the Slashers seeking a repeat over the Marlins at 3 p.m. in the Metropolitan Basketball Association First Phase at the Cebu City Coliseum.

Tested to the limit before downing the Marlins, 93-91, in their first encounter in Gen. Santos City, the Slashers are expected to fare better because of the absence of the hometown crowd to distract them.

The same holds true for the Marlins, however, as they have learned that they can play the Slashers on even terms, leading by as many as 17 points in the third quarter before their offense turned sour last Sunday.

SPORTSWATCH

Woods Open favorite

TULSA, Oklahoma—When Nick Faldo was at the top of his game, he met Ben Hogan and asked the four-time champion the secret to winning a US Open. "Shoot the lowest score," Hogan replied. It no longer seems that simple with Tiger Woods around. When the 101st US Open starts today at steamy Southern Hills, the 25-year-old Woods will be gunning for an unprecedented fifth straight major championship, a streak that already ranks among the greatest in sports. He is dominating golf, especially the majors, with a game that has no apparent weakness and an intimidation that only a few others have had. *AP*

Brother beats brother

JAIME Llanes booked the first major upset in the JVC Open Badminton Championships, booting his top-seeded brother Melvin out of the tournament that formally opened hostilities at the Activity Center of the Glorietta yesterday.

Pasay cockfest tonight

METRO Manila's bigtime and medium-scale cockers clash in another exciting 4-cock derby tonight at Pasay City Cockpit, where a cash prize of P300,000 is up for grabs. The event, hosted by the Power Rangers Group, will start at 7 p.m. It banners more than 60 fights. Among the favorites are William Go, Jeff Dumalaog, Carding Ng, Danny Ty, Boy de Roca, Ramon Mencenares, Madlambayan brothers, Cito Manansala, Peping Suarez, Boy Corcuera and Lito Orillaza, among others.

RACING TIPS

AT SANTA ANA BY MR. 999

Race 1—1. Silver Print/Rain Check 2. Secret Money 3. Big Treasure 4. El Magnifico

Race 2—1. Sir Olizon 2. Full Blast/Key to Heaven 3. Above All 4. Ocean Friend

Race 3—1. Padron Real 2. Ace of Space 3. Lady Victoria 4. Hurry King

Race 4—1. Play By Ear 2. Man of the Hour 3. Thunder Fire 4. Reverie 5. Romario

Race 5—1. Hinobaan's Pride 2. Kamahalan 3. Aringkingking 4. Boss Lino

Race 6—1. Terrific 2. Hurry Prince 3. Rikitik 4. Patikim

Race 7—1. Soldier Blue 2. Respect the Ace 3. Red Thunder 4. Roppongi 5. Princely Native

Race 8—1. Classy Babe 2. Earth Angel 3. Altron 4. Don't Worry 5. Go Johnny Go

Race 9—1. Courage 2. Dixie Melody 3. Super Strong 4. Mirame 5. Party Princess

SPORTS

AL S. MENDOZA, Editor EDWIN M. VILLANUEVA, Assistant Editor

Dayrit, Ward and Lang at Scoop

PHILIPPINE Olympic Committee president Celso Dayrit and PBA imperts Jerod Ward of Mobiline and Antonio Lang of Red Bull spice up today's edition of the Sports Communicators Organization of the Philippines forum at the Kamayan-West Avenue. Dayrit will clarify matters regarding the legality of the BAP election. Session starts at 10:30 a.m. and will be aired live over Sports Radio 918 am.

LA a win away from crown

PHILADELPHIA—The all-too-powerful Los Angeles Lakers, who steamrolled their way through the West, finally made their debut at the NBA Finals, moving within one victory of repeating as champions.

Shaquille O'Neal had 34 points and 14 rebounds and Kobe Bryant came within one assist of a triple-double yesterday as the Lakers defeated the Philadelphia 76ers, 100-86, in the most one-sided game of the series.

The Lakers, who held a double-digit lead for almost the entire second half, tied the NBA record for consecutive playoff road victories with their seventh.

If they can close out the series tomorrow in Game 5, the Lakers will finish with the best postseason run in NBA history—15-1. They already have the 76ers in dire straits, as no team has ever come back from a 3-1 deficit in the finals.

Bryant finished with 19 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists, and an assortment of the Lakers' role players made big shots. The Lakers had 10 3-pointers, including three by Robert Horry, and used Derek Fisher and Tyron Lue to hold Allen Iverson in check once again.

Sixers miss 11 charities

Iverson left the game with a minute-and-a-half left after scoring 35 points _ many of which came in the fourth quarter when the 76ers made one last push but came up way short.

The 76ers hurt themselves by missing 11 free throws, which was an even bigger factor considering Los Angeles missed 14.

Aside from that stat, the Lakers dominated this game much like they did during the first three rounds of the postseason when they went 11-0 against Portland, Sacramento and San Antonio.

"We let one game slip away. Right now we're just focusing on one more win," said O'Neal, who had 20 points and 11 rebounds by halftime as the Lakers opened a 14-point lead.

Brief rally

The no-quit 76ers made a move early in the fourth, getting six straight points from Iverson in an 11-0 run that cut their deficit to 77-70. But O'Neal powered past Dikembe Mutombo for a dunk, outjumped him for a defensive rebound and then passed out of a double-team for a wide-open 3-pointer by Brian Shaw.

Lue and Horry followed with 3s to get the lead back to 17 with 6 1/2 minutes left, and from there it was only a matter of running out the clock.

Fisher added 10 points, Horry had nine and Ron Harper eight.

Iverson got his points on 12-for-30 shooting from the field, and Mutombo added 19 points and nine rebounds.

O'Neal grabbed five offensive rebounds in the first quarter and the Lakers had nine second-chance points in taking a 22-14 lead. O'Neal's first dunk came off an offensive rebound as he caught Mutombo across the jaw with an elbow while turning toward the basket.

The Sixers opened the second quarter with a full-court press that gave the Lakers trouble and allowed Philadelphia to pull within 26-22, but they then switched their defensive attention to double-teaming O'Neal and the results were not good.

Harper hit a backdoor layup off a pass from O'Neal and then nailed a 3-pointer from the corner, and Horry and Lue also hit 3s in a 20-7 run that gave Los Angeles a 46-29 lead.

O'Neal missed two from the line with 5.3 seconds left in the second quarter but rebounded his own miss and scored for a 51-37 halftime lead.

Early in the third quarter, O'Neal grabbed three offensive rebounds on one possession and converted two foul shots for a 58-42 lead. *AP*

The scores:

LA 100–O'Neal 34, Bryant 19, Fisher 10, Horry 9, Harper 8, Fox 7, Lue 6, Shaw 5,Grant 2, Madsen 0.

Philadelphia 86–Iverson 35, Mutombo 19, Snow 11, Hill 7, Geiger 6, Mckie 5, Buford 2, Bell 1, Ollie 0, Macculloch 0, Jones 0, Lynch 0.

Quarterscores: 22-14, 55-37, 78-59, 100-86

SPORTS ON TV

COMPILED BY LORENZO MANGUIAT

GOLF: PGA Fedex St. Jude Classic Highlights at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. (r) on Star Sports

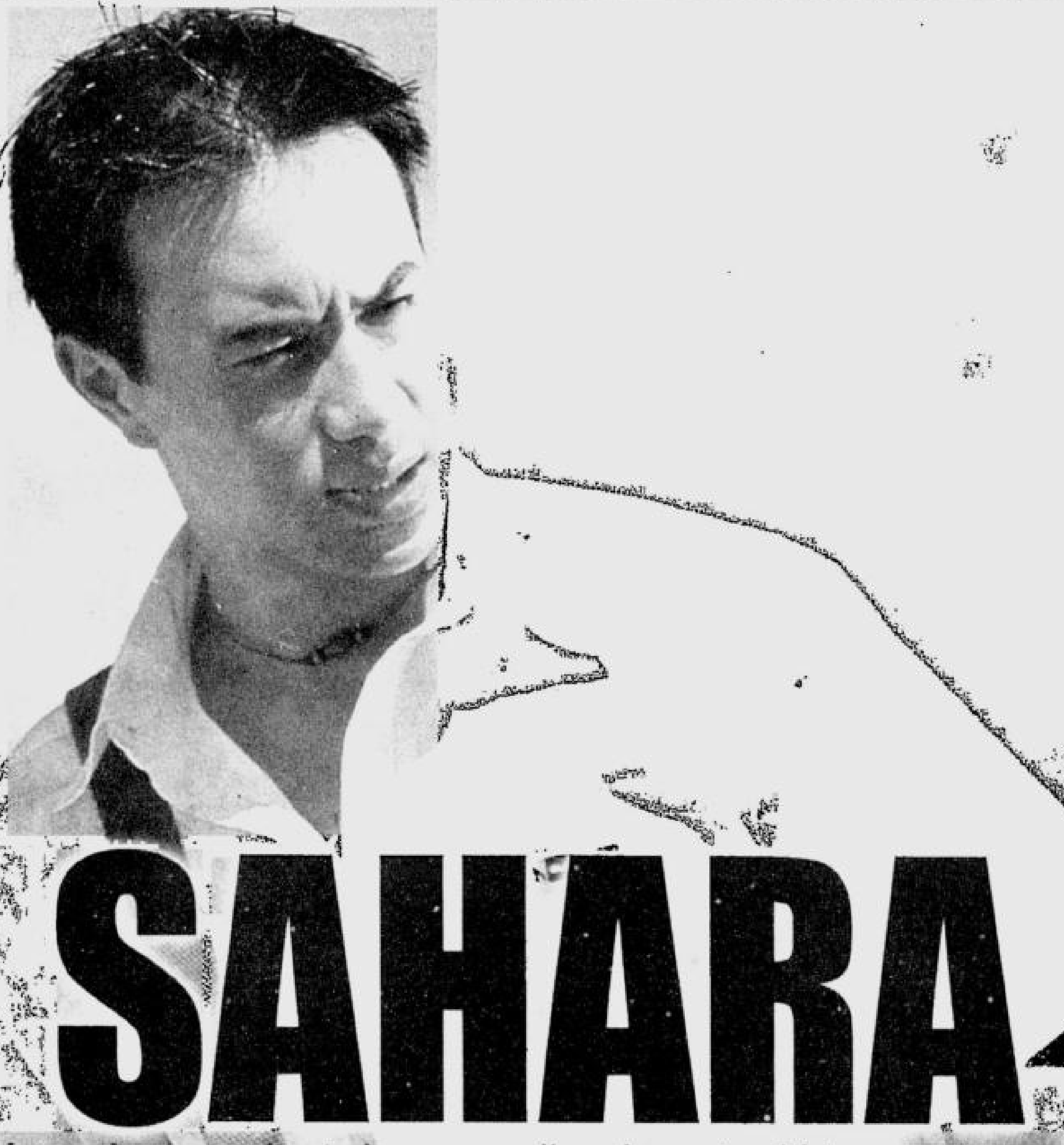
This is the PGA Tour at 9 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. (r) on Star Sports

Inside the PGA Tour at 12 noon (r – 8 p.m.) on Star Sports

U.S. Open, First Round, Part I at 12 noon (r), Part II at 7 p.m., Second Round, Part I at 12 midnight on ESPN

Senior PGA - The Countrywide Tradition, First Round at 10 p.m. on Star Sports

SHAQ dunks one against Mutombo. AP



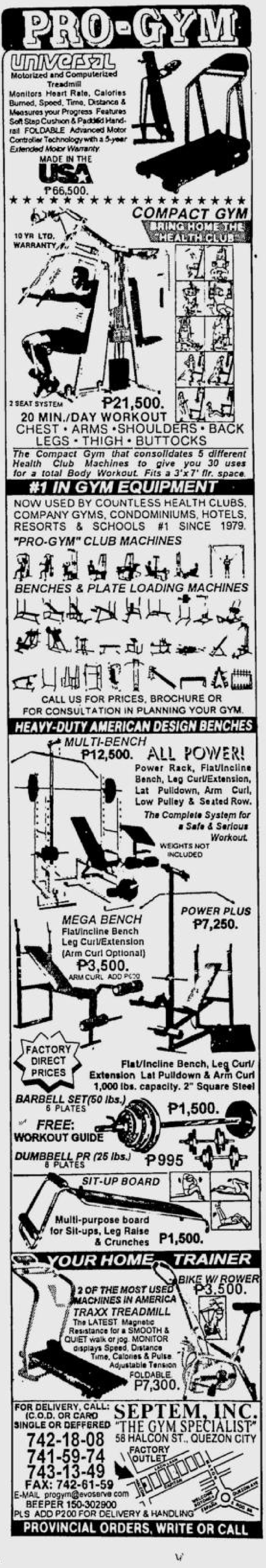
the HOTTEST thing on earth

SAHARA

long sleeves short sleeves collared sports shirts sports tees

is the COOLEST

Available at ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE



PRO-GYM

universal Motorized and Computerized Treadmill Monitors Heart Rate, Calories Burned, Speed, Time, Distance & Measures your Progress Features Soft Step Cushion & Padded Hand-rail FOLDABLE Advanced Motor Controller Technology with a 5-year Extended Motor Warranty

MADE IN THE USA ₱66,500.

COMPACT GYM BRING HOME THE HEALTH CLUB

10 YR LTD. WARRANTY

2 SEAT SYSTEM ₱21,500.

20 MIN./DAY WORKOUT

CHEST • ARMS • SHOULDERS • BACK LEGS • THIGH • BUTTOCKS

The Compact Gym that consolidates 5 different Health Club Machines to give you 30 uses for a total Body Workout. Fits a 3'x7' flr. space.

#1 IN GYM EQUIPMENT

NOW USED BY COUNTLESS HEALTH CLUBS, COMPANY GYMS, CONDOMINIUMS, HOTELS, RESORTS & SCHOOLS #1 SINCE 1979.

"PRO-GYM" CLUB MACHINES

BENCHES & PLATE LOADING MACHINES

CALL US FOR PRICES, BROCHURE OR FOR CONSULTATION IN PLANNING YOUR GYM.

HEAVY-DUTY AMERICAN DESIGN BENCHES

MULTI-BENCH ₱12,500. ALL POWER! Power Rack, Flat/Incline Bench, Leg Curl/Extension, Lat Pulldown, Arm Curl, Low Pulley & Seated Row. The Complete System for a Safe & Serious Workout. WEIGHTS NOT INCLUDED

MEGA BENCH Flat/Incline Bench Leg Curl/Extension (Arm Curl Optional) ₱3,500. ARM CURL ADD P600

POWER PLUS ₱7,250.

FACTORY DIRECT PRICES

Flat/Incline Bench, Leg Curl/ Extension Lat Pulldown & Arm Curl 1,000 lbs. capacity. 2" Square Steel

BARBELL SET(50 lbs.) 6 PLATES ₱1,500.

FREE: WORKOUT GUIDE

DUMBBELL PR (25 lbs.) 8 PLATES ₱995

SIT-UP BOARD Multi-purpose board for Sit-ups, Leg Raise & Crunches ₱1,500.

YOUR HOME TRAINER

BIKE W/ ROWER ₱3,500.

2 OF THE MOST USED MACHINES IN AMERICA

TRAXX TREADMILL The LATEST Magnetic Resistance for a SMOOTH & QUIET walk or jog. MONITOR displays Speed, Distance Time, Calories & Pulse. Adjustable Tension FOLDABLE P7,300.

FOR DELIVERY, CALL: (C.O.D. OR CARD SINGLE OR DEFFERED

742-18-08
741-59-74
743-13-49
FAX: 742-61-59
E-MAIL progym@evoserve.com
BEEPER 150-302900
PLS ADD P200 FOR DELIVERY & HANDLING

SEPTEM, INC. "THE GYM SPECIALIST" 58 HALCON ST., QUEZON CITY

FACTORY OUTLET

PROVINCIAL ORDERS, WRITE OR CALL

Gins, Thunder clash today

STANDINGS	W	L
Alaska	3	0
SMB	2	1
Red Bull	1	1
Mobiline	1	1
Tanduay	1	1
SLR	1	1
Ginebra	1	1
Pop Cola	1	2
Shell	1	2
Purefoods	0	2

GAMES TODAY
(Philsports)
5:15 p.m. – Purefoods vs SLR
7:30 p.m. – Red Bull vs Ginebra

STA. Lucia Realty, Batang Red Bull and Barangay Ginebra shoot for their second win, while Purefoods struggles to get its first when these four teams mix it up today in the PBA Commissioner's Cup at Philsports.

The Gin Kings and the Thunder, both coming off separate victories early this week, collide at 7:30 p.m., while the Realtors hope to bounce back from a loss to Tanduay when they clash with the winless Hotdogs.

Ginebra is pinning its hopes on gangly import Ryan Fletcher, who will have his hands full matching up with the more agile and athletic Antonio Lang of Red Bull.

The Thunder's 97-92 victory over the Jerod Ward-led Mobiline came despite a 51-point effort by Ward.

Marc Anthony Reyes

NOW OPEN TOBY'S SPORTS ARENA AT THE 3RD LEVEL OF GLORIETTA 2.

A Gift of Fitness for... "DAD."

"Exercise at the right intensity, the key to reaching fitness goal."

m91ti

POLAR. heart rate monitors

www.polar.fi

TOBY'S SPORTS

EXCLUSIVELY DISTRIBUTED BY: SPORTS Resources, Inc

Harrison Plaza, Park Square 1, Glorietta 2, Shangri-La Plaza, Robinsons Galleria, SM City North, SM City Fairview, SM City Bacoor, SM City Manila, SM Centerpoint, SM Megamall, SM Southmall, San Pablo City, Batangas City, SM City Pampanga, SM City Cebu, Ayala Center Cebu, Davao City Cagayan de Oro City, Zamboanga City, Iligan City

website - http://www.tobys.com e-mail - cust.serv@tobys.com

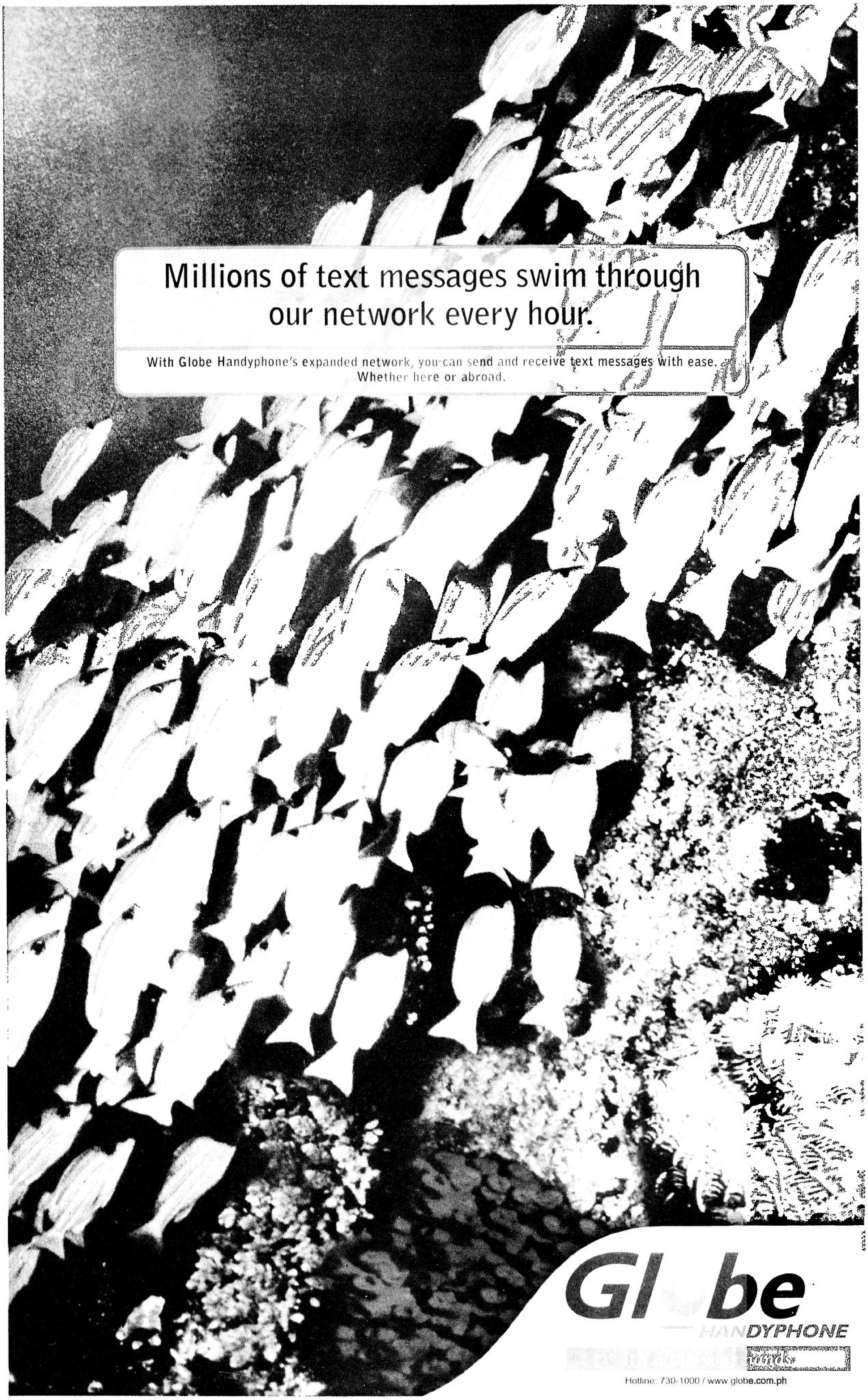
HOW DO YOU GIVE EVEN BRAND-NEW CARS--

THE BRIGHTEST, LONGEST-LASTING SHINE EVER?

PLUS STRONGER PAINT PROTECTION!

(GOOD ON ALL CARS! EVEN IF "NOT-SO-BRAND-NEW" ANYMORE.)

Ziebart DIAMOND GLOSS



Millions of text messages swim through our network every hour.

With Globe Handyphone's expanded network, you can send and receive text messages with ease. Whether here or abroad.

Globe HANDYPHONE

Hotline: 730-1000 / www.globe.com.ph

METRO

LOUIE C. CAMINO, Editor

Waste segregation implemented today

BY NELSON F. FLORES

THE GARBAGE segregation scheme will be implemented by the Metro Manila Development Authority starting today. Garbage that has not been segregated will not be collected, MMDA Chair Benjamin Abalos Sr. warned yesterday.

A massive information campaign on the schedule of the pick-up of biodegradable and non-biodegradable trash was conducted last April.

The garbage segregation scheme was supposed to have started on May 1 but was suspended apparently because of the May 14 elections, which significantly increased the volume of trash in Metro Manila from campaign materials like posters, flyers and sample ballots.

Abalos yesterday said there is no more reason to postpone the implementation of the segregation scheme.

"We have already made a partial clean-up of Metro Manila so there is no more reason why we should not implement the waste segregation scheme this time," he said.

Under the scheme, household and commercial waste should be segregated into biodegradable and non-biodegradable categories.

Biodegradable waste, which accounts for more than 90 percent of the 6,000 tons of daily garbage in Metro Manila, would be re-

WASTE/ A26

Wazzzzup?

ACACIA 226 WILSON ST., GREENHILLS	RON & JOYCE (SING-ALONG/STAND-UP COMEDY)	NO COVER CHARGE 721.2854/0917.8146674
AUDIOTORIUM 23 WEST AVE., QUEZON CITY	RUBBERBAND	374.2330/373.5574
Bogota World Music Bar & Restaurant 574 PEDRO GIL ST., MALATE	SABOR LATINO	P300 CONSUMABLE 524.9245/525.5276
Café OVERDRIVE FORD BLDG., P.TAMO EXT., MAKATI	L.O.C (LEAGUE OF CAYUKS)	FREE ENTRANCE 818.5555/813.1348
Cowboy Grill ALMANZA, LAS PIÑAS	HIMIG MR. ROXY	NO ENTRANCE FEE ☎801.7644
Cowboy Grill ARQUIZA ST.	THINKERS w/ JOGRAD GOALKEYS/PUZZLES	P250 CONSUMABLE 9-3 AM/525.1474
Cowboy Grill REMEDIOS ST., MALATE	KNIGHTS KOOL JACKS	P250 CONSUMABLE 9-2 AM/521.8143
Cowboy Grill NOVALICHES Q.C	STREETLIFE ZEST/MUSIC CIRCUIT	NO ENTRANCE FEE ☎936.9757
DOWNTOWN Music Bar & Restaurant	SPINDRIFT (DISCO NIGHTS)	P250 CONSUMABLE ☎373.3333
KAMPO 2088 #47 WEST AVENUE Q.C.	PAROKYA NI EDGAR VANNA VANNA/POLICY	P250 CONSUMABLE 373.5110/373.7181
EXAMINER'S LITE n' LIVE #52 EXAMINER ST. Q.C.	FLIPSIDE NXT PAGE	P150 CONSUMABLE 373.2221/373.7183
MUSIC WAREHOUSE INFRONT OF CENTRAL MARKET	ERASERHEADS RIDGE/ADVENT CALL	PINOY TUBO 735.1280/735.1405
TIA MARIA'S JUPITER ST., MAKATI CITY	CROSS TOWN	NO ENTRANCE FEE ☎890.4735
TROPICAL FOREST Cafe-Grill-Restaurant LUNETA MANILA	R.O.B SOULID BAND	P150 COSUMABLE ☎400.7438/39
OTHER PLACES		
Jer's REAL CALAMBA, LAGUNA	COLORED PEOPLE	P50 ENTRANCE ☎(0917)738.7303
PartyPlace SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA	BREAKTHROUGH	PAROKYA NI EDGAR JULY 7/(045)961.3360

FRIDAY, JUNE 15 912-8983

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEND MUCH TO AVAIL OF HIGH-QUALITY SKIN & SLIMMING TREATMENTS

MINIMUM OF P5,000 PER PROGRAM INCLUSIVE OF MEDICATIONS

- LIFETIME PROGRAM
- FACIAL PROGRAM
- LEG SCARS PROGRAM
- SKIN PIGMENTATION PROGRAM
- ACNE & OILY SKIN PROGRAM
- WRINKLE & DRY SKIN PROGRAM
- BODY PEEL / BLEACH PROGRAM
- UNDERARM or GROIN PEEL / BLEACH PROG.
- FACIAL PEEL / BLEACH PROGRAM
- LASERIZED REJUVINATION PROG.
- HEAD TO TOE WART REMOVAL PROG.
- POST-ACNE / POX SCARS PROGRAM
- WHITE SCAR PROGRAM
- SLIMMING PROGRAM

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

• TAKE HOME BODY BLEACH
MAIL ORDER ACCEPTED

FREE FACIAL ▸ IF YOU BUY 1 SET OF SKIN CARE PRODUCTS

ALSO AVAILABLE
MICRODERMABRASION:
THE FASTEST WAY TO TREAT PITTED SCARS (POST ACNE, CHICKEN POX SCARS AND WRINKLES PAINLESSLY W/O SURGERY)

DRA. MA. LUISA UMALI
Administrator

OTHER SERVICES: LASERBRASION, FACE LIFT, BREAST LIFT/AUGMENTATION, NOSE LIFT, DEEP SET EYE, EYEBAG REMOVAL, SCAR REVISION, CLEFT CHIN, DIMPLES, TUMESCENT TECHNIQUE LIPOSUCTION ETC.

CALL NOW: HOTLINE NO. FOR ALL BRANCHES
723-5265
OTHER TEL. NOS.:
PASIG
671-8895
ALABANG
771-0116
QUEZON CITY
721-9227/28
PARAÑAQUE
823-5485

FREE CONSULTATION
CLINIC HOURS: MON-SAT 11:00 AM-7:00 PM
SUNDAYS 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

DERM STRESS CLINIC
FOR MEN & WOMEN
- MEZZANINE-I 818 BLDG. PASIG BLVD. PASIG CITY
- UNIT 303 PAGE I BLDG., ACACIA AVE., ALABANG
- UNIT 4 VALENCIA HILLS COND. DOÑA RODRIGUEZ ST. Q.C.
- 12 SINGAPORE ST., BETTERLIVING, PARAÑAQUE

NOW OPEN FOR FRANCHISE
EARN HIGH DESPITE THE ECONOMIC CRISIS

SOON TO OPEN: NS Amoranto, Antipolo & Makati

Cop faces murder raps for jueteng massacre

BY PHILIP C. TUBEZA AND JEROME ANING

THE CENTRAL Police District (CPD) will file multiple murder charges against Senior Insp. Alex Navarette of the West-

COP/ A26

Designer depot
Factory Outlet
60 Vans, 40 brands, 8 New Stores
MIDNIGHT MADNESS END-OF-SUMMER Sale
June 15 10am - 9pm
June 16 10am - 12Midnight
June 17 10am - 9pm

Narito na from GARDENIA!
Ihain ang sarap ng bagong Gardenia Pan de Sal.
PAN de SAL
Gardenia
Gardenia
So good... you can even eat it on it's own!

Bagong GARDENIA PAN de SAL.
Siguradong magigising ka sa sarap ng aroma at lasa...!
kahit walang palaman.

Gawa na sa finest ingredients, vitamin-enriched pa. Dinagdagan ito ng Vitamins B1, B2, B3 at minerals tulad ng iron, calcium at folate para sa iyong kalusugan. Kaya ihain na ang bagong GARDENIA PAN de SAL!

AVAILABLE AT Supermarkets: SM Shoemart, Landmark, Robinsons, Shopwise, Eunilane, Ever, Cherry Foodarama, Glorimart, Sta. Lucia, Hi-Top, Isetann, Parco, Plaza Fair, Puregold, South Supermart, Walter Mart, CVC, Makro, Fernando's, Hermano's, A&C, Alexander, Alfonso, Anson's, Antipolo Super Palengke, Baker E, Baytree, Better Living, Big C, Big R, Blaida's Mart, BMP, C. Morales, Cabuyao, Centro Park, East Mart, Edd Tess, Emiluz, Gem's, GL, GoodWill, Grace, Grandmas, Grocer E, Ilano, International, Jacob, JC Plaza, Jomafer, Malvar, Mari Mart, Market Basket, Masagana, Masangkay, Mega Mart, Multinational Mart, Nati's, New Ever, New Life, Olivarez, One Stop, Pacita, P and C, P and T, Paula's, Pic N Save, Pioneer Center, Price Smart, Purity, Reagan, Rey-Sal, Save and Save, SC, Shopper's Delight, Shopper's Ville, Siojand, SSG, Sure Value, Target, Top Choice, TSM, Ultra Mega, Unisave, Unishoppe, Value Point, Alfie's, Abad, Bacani, Buan, Citimart, Cesar's, Casa Hacienda, Extelcom, Konika, Novadeci, Morales, Popong, Save More, Southern Twins, Sumile, Super Nova and Vela Mart

Convenience Stores & Mini-Marts : Petron Treats, Shell Select, Caltex Starmart, Total La Boutique, 7-11, iMart, Binggol, Easy Mart, New Ever Foodmart, Mightee Mart, South Market Place, Casimiro Comm'l Compact Express, Diamante Grocery, Emilene's, In & Out, Robin Mart, Speed Mart and Yes Mart

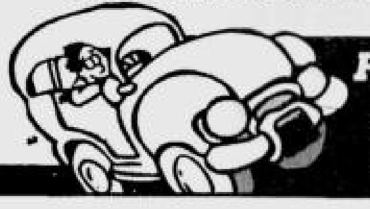
Calling all car owners with plate nos. ending in 6 OR 7

Call DIRECT LINK now for a FREE, NO-OBLIGATION quote and we can cut your premiums by as much as 40%. Convenient, affordable and reliable!

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR CAR INSURANCE!

PLUS! Enjoy 24-hour rescue and accident assistance from Philippine Motor Association.

A Joint Venture of UCPB Group and Crowe Insurance Group of London
direct link
88-725-88
Toll Free 1800-1888 Link (5465)
www.dirlink.net



Now Open To Serve You...

Chrysler Jeep Dodge

Grand Voyager Grand Cherokee Ltd Durango

CHRYSLER QUEZON AVENUE
1140 Quezon Avenue, Quezon City
Tel. Nos. (Connecting All Departments) 411-2720 * 374-3911
Fax No. 411-2721

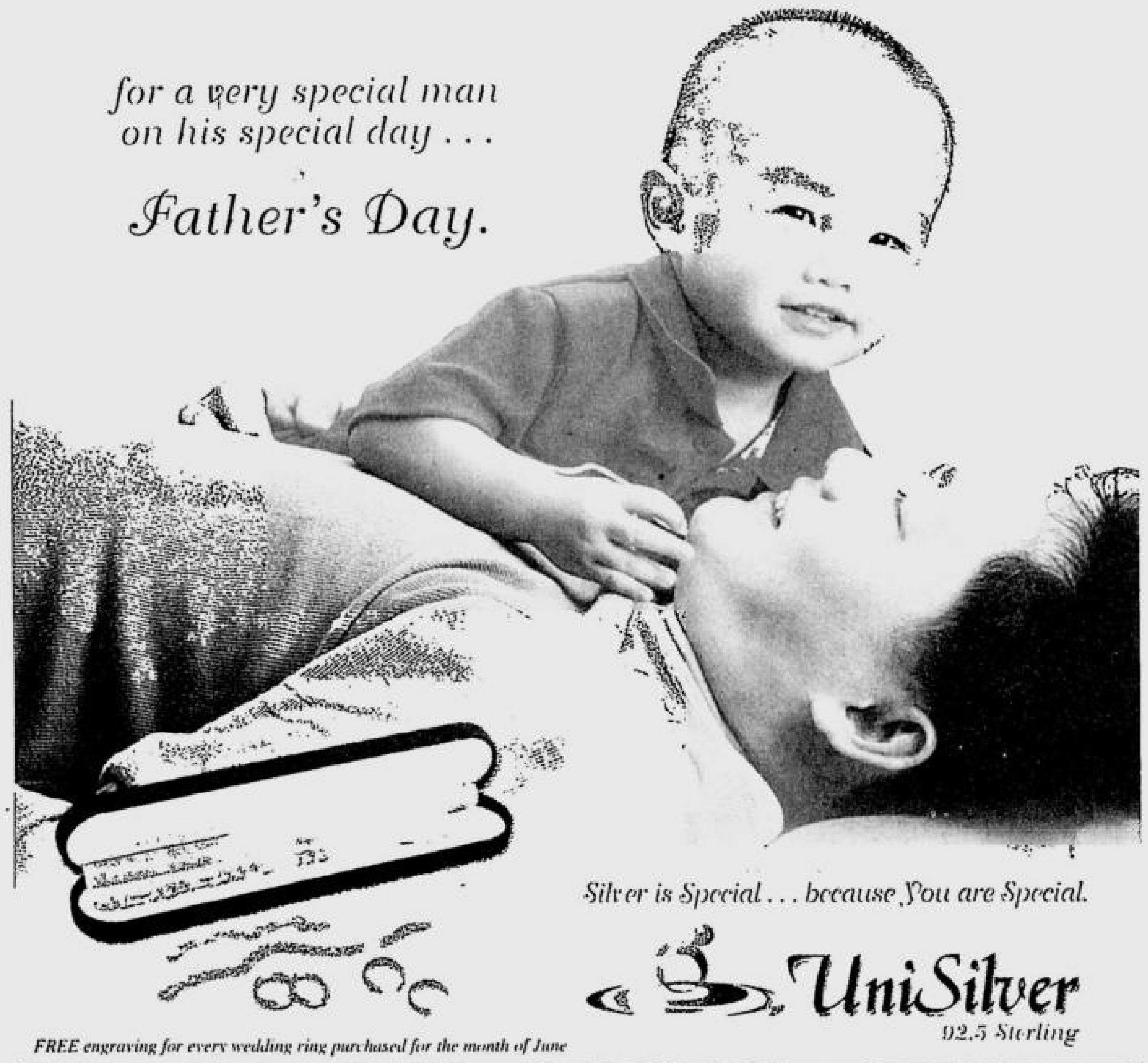
5-year-old girl drowns in QC river

FIVE-YEAR-OLD kindergarten pupil Jessica V. Jamisan of Calamba Street, Talayan Villag, Quezon City, on Wednesday drowned in a river after she fell off a narrow bridge in her neighborhood.

The girl was walking home with her mother Lydia when she fell from the bridge, which was only about two feet wide, said SPO1 Resty De Leon, of the Central Police District-Criminal Investigation Unit.

Jamisan was pulled out of the river unconscious about 30 minutes after she fell, but doctors at the St. Agnes Hospital failed to revive her. *Philip C. Tubeza*

98° One Night Only
Revelation Tour
July 6, 2001 - Araneta Coliseum - 8pm
PRESENTED BY:
Nestlé La Cremeria
SM TICKETNET COMPUTERIZED TICKETING NETWORK
FOR RESERVATIONS & INQUIRIES
CALL 911-5555



for a very special man on his special day . . .
Father's Day.
Silver is Special . . . because You are Special.
UniSilver 92.5 Sterling
FREE engraving for every wedding ring purchased for the month of June
LUZON: SM SOUTHMALL • GRAND CENTRAL • ISETANN RECTO • SM NORTH EDSA • SM CENTERPOINT • SM MEGAMALL • NOVA MALL • SM FAIRVIEW • LRT AVENIDA • STA. LUCIA I METRO MALL • METROPOLIS • STA. LUCIA II • SM CITY MANILA • HARRISON PLAZA • STAR MALL • EVER COMMONWEALTH • MARKET PLACE • ALIW MEYCAUAYAN • RUSTAN'S CUBAO ROYAL FAMILY MALL • ROBINSON'S ERMITA • FESTIVAL MALL • EVER RECTO • ROBINSON'S GALLERIA • SM BACOOR • ROBINSON'S IMUS I & II • CITIMART BATANGAS • C.M. MALL BIÑAN WALTERMART CALAMBA • TARGET MALL STA. ROSA • LCC NAGA • LCC LEGASPI • MEGA CENTER CABANATUAN • N.E. MALL CABANATUAN • JENRA MALL PAMPANGA MAGIC MALL PANGASINAN • SUNSHINE MALL BATAAN • COOYEESAN MALL BAGUIO • MAGIC STAR TARLAC • CSI DAGUPAN • SM SUCAT • METROTOWN TARLAC
VISAYAS: AYALA CEBU • ROBINSON'S BACOLOD • GAISANO ORMOC • GAISANO II CEBU • BOHOL QUALITY • GAISANO ROXAS • SM CEBU • SM ILOILO PLAZA MARCELA • ROBINSON'S CEBU • GAISANO I CEBU • GAISANO ILOILO • GAISANO TACLOBAN
MINDANAO: J.S. GAISANO • GAISANO GEN. SANTOS • NCCC DAVAO • VICTORIA PLAZA • EMPHASIS C.D.O. • MIND-PRO ZAMBOANGA GAISANO MALL DAVAO • KCC GEN. SANTOS • KCC MARBEL

Vendor gets life for 1995 killing

By Christian V. Esguerra

A FISH vendor was sentenced to life yesterday for the murder of a 17-year-old student in Navotas in 1995.

Michael Macapagal, 25, of Champaca Street, Lapu-Lapu Extension, Caloocan City, was found guilty of killing Jason Dasilio, also of Caloocan. Judge Benjamin Aquino of the Malabon Regional Trial Court also ordered Macapagal to pay the victim's family P70,000 in damages.

In August 1995, Dasilio was with his schoolmates Christopher Mendoza and Rodrigo Oliva in Oliva's house on Champaca Street in North Bay Boulevard, Navotas, when he was attacked by Macapagal, court records showed.

Armed with a fan knife, Macapagal cursed Dasilio for being "boastful" and stabbed him 16 times, mostly in the back.

Mendoza tried to help Dasilio, but Macapagal also stabbed him in the right arm.

Macapagal admitted he killed Dasilio, but claimed he did it only to defend himself.

In his testimony, the accused said he was on his way to the Navotas fishport when Dasilio and his friends blocked his path and made fun of him.

Macapagal said Dasilio hit him in the head with the butt of a fan knife and tried to stab him.

Macapagal said he managed to stave off the attack.

Macapagal claimed that while he and Dasilio were grappling for the fan knife, Mendoza was accidentally stabbed in the arm.

Macapagal admitted that the moment he got hold of the knife, he stabbed Dasilio several times. Dasilio's companions, Macapagal added, fled.

But Judge Aquino found no unlawful aggression on the part of the victim to warrant Macapagal's claim of self-defense.

The judge said that even if he assumed Macapagal's testimony were true, Macapagal had no reason to stab Dasilio since he had already gotten hold of the fan knife.

When Macapagal got hold of the weapon, "which clearly immobilized the victim, there was no more danger to the life of the accused because the aggression . no longer existed," Aquino said in his ruling.

Cop faces . . .

(From page A25)

ern Police District Station 1 drug enforcement unit for his alleged involvement in the killing of five people Tuesday night.

Navarette yesterday afternoon appeared before the WPD chief, Senior Supt. Nicolas Pasinos Jr., and said he was ready to cooperate with the CPD.

"I'm not hiding and I didn't surrender," Navarette told reporters "I only reported for work."

But Pasinos told reporters that Navarette on Wednesday sent an emissary who brought surrender feelers

Senior Insp. Rudy Jaraza, chief of the CPD Criminal Investigation Unit homicide section, said Navarette would be charged before the Quezon City prosecutor's office after his lawyer Julio Gunong moved for a preliminary investigation of the case.

"They've waived the inquest and want an immediate investigation (by prosecutors)," Jaraza told the INQUIRER in a phone interview

The CPD earlier said it had three witnesses who claimed that Navarette was present during the birthday party where Maria Luisa M. Untalan, 47; Eufemio Barcelona Jr., 56; Virgilio F. Santiago, 52; Lauro Job Adolfo, 56; all of Novaliches; and Rudy Fuentes, 57; of Bago Bantay, Quezon City were shot dead.

Three suspects also allegedly stabbed them to make sure they were dead.

In a phone call Wednesday afternoon to a CPD officer Anthony Rodolfo, Navarette admitted that he was present at Armand Sy's birthday party in an alley on J. Abad Santos Street in Sta. Lucia, Novaliches, Quezon City.

But he said he left the place about 5:30 p.m. or two-and-a-half hours before the killings happened. Navarette has a house near Sy's home.

CPD director Senior Supt. Rodolfo Tor denied that the killings happened because of a row over jueteng payola. The victims were suspected jueteng bet collectors.

But Tor suggested that Navarette had a grudge against one of the victims, Fuentes.

Other cops in trouble

By Philip C. Tubeza

FOUR Central Police District lawmen are in hot water after they were accused of abusive behavior—including threatening to behead a 66-year-old widow and threatening to kill a 26-year-old housewife.

Police identified three of the suspects as Insp. Lovino Acharon, PO3 Joseph Ortiz, PO3 Joseph Eduardo, all of the drug enforcement unit, and their companions identified only as "Hagibis" and several John Does.

In a separate case, PO1 Darwin S. Lorenzo of the Camachile Block under the Sangandaan police station was accused of grave threats, physical injuries, and malicious mischief, said investigator PO3 Ferdinand Paredes.

Lorenzo allegedly robbed and threatened to kill Myra Cherry Barnachea-Co, 26, of 44 Eulogia Drive in Balintawak, Quezon City.

Acharon and his companions allegedly robbed and threatened to behead Estrella M. Leano, 66, a retired government employee, of 266 JP Rizal Street, Project 4, Quezon City. The three suspects also allegedly pistol-whipped the woman's son, Fire Officer III Edwin M. Leano of the Bureau of Fire Protection.

Leano said the lawmen and their cohorts stole her Sony CD player, P10,000 in jewelry, two bottles of imported wine, P7,000 in cash and two cellular phones worth P9,000, said investigator PO1 Joseph Mortel.

Charges of grave threats, violation of domicile and robbery have been filed against Acharon and his companions, PO1 Mortel said.

On June 3, PO1 Lorenzo and two unidentified men allegedly barged into Co's rented house about 12 p.m. just as the woman and her brother Melchor were having lunch. One man poked a gun at Co while his companion removed the roof of her apartment.

2 kids nabbed in shabu raid

By Jerome Aning

WESTERN Police District members apprehended eight people, including two children aged 14 and 12, and confiscated at least 200 grams of shabu from them during a sting operation at the Islamic Center in Quiapo, Manila on Wednesday.

Arrested were Jimmy Ambulog, 18, of Elizondo Street, Quiapo; his relatives Junail Casan, 18, and a 14-year-old girl; Mawa Acmad, 20, stay-in helper at Unisa Cafeteria on Elizondo and his colleague Dannie Dipatuan, 18, of Globo de Oro, Quiapo; Ronni Lim, 24, of Maestranza Street, Intramuros; and a 12-year-old boy.

The suspects were reportedly using Ambulog's house as a distribution and packing center for shabu. Recovered from them were 19 heat-sealed plastic sachets containing some 200 grams of the illegal drug.

Police also seized three pairs of scissors, an improvised wooden sealer, an electronic weighing scale, disposable lighters and a box of empty plastic packets.

Chief Insp. Jose Mario Espino, head of the WPD-District Drug Enforcement Group, led two teams that raided Ambulog's house at around 8:30 p.m.

Waste ...

(From page A25)

cycled or composted in MMDA-operated composting and recycling plants.

Abalos said the MMDA is rushing the construction of two major recycling and composting plants in Tondo, Manila. He said these two plants will boost the recycling and composting capability of MMDA recycling and composting plants in other parts of the metropolis.

While still led by Jejomar Binay, the MMDA started implementing the waste segregation scheme about two years ago as part of long-term solutions to the garbage crisis in Metro Manila.

The scheme, however, did not take off.

But last January, Abalos directed Metro Manila mayors to implement the scheme in compliance with Republic Act No. 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act.

The AViD "Zero-Interest" Deals
Affordable monthly payments with 0% interest
XR-DV525
P4,165
for 6 months
Aiwa Mini Hi-Fi System with DVD Player
- *4,000W PMPO Ultra Power Input*
- *Dolby Pro Logic Surround*
- *3 DVD / VCD / CD Changer*
- *Cash Price: P24,990*

NSX-WV89
P3,332 for 6 months
Aiwa Mini Hi-Fi System with VCD Player
- *5.1 Analog Input for Dolby Digital*
- *4,000W PMPO Ultra Power Input*
- *Dolby Pro Logic Surround*
- *3 VCD / CD Changer*
- *Cash Price: P19,990*

XH-AG1000
P3,333 for 9 months
Aiwa Mini Hi-Fi AV Core System with VCD Player
- *5.1 Analog Input for Dolby Digital*
- *10,000W PMPO Ultra Power Input*
- *Dolby Pro Logic System*
- *3 VCD / CD Changer*
- *Cash Price: P29,990*

AViD
Where your digital lifestyle begins
www.avsurfer.com
Participating cards:
BPI Express Credit · Unicard Metrobank · Equitable · RCBC · Diners Club International · CITIBANK
The Promo will run from June 15 to July 15, 2001
Per DTI-NCR Permit No 1822, Series of 2001
Available only at the following Avid Stores:
AV Surfer · Best Brands! Appliance Center
AIWA SHOWROOM Kalaw 302-2018; AV SURFER Alabang 807-2596, 807-3541, 807-2723; Alimall 912-2048; Pasong Tamo Ext. 893-7988, 812-2005; CALL AUDIO VIDEO SHOP Galleria 632-9110 to 11; BEST BRANDS Bacoor (046) 417-6888 to 89; Balintawak 330-1777, 453-3088 www.avsurfer.com

THE DAILY GOSPEL

Friday, June 15, 2001
10th Week in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: 2 Cor 4:7-15
Gospel: Mt 5:27-32

Jesus said to his disciples, "You have heard that it was said: *Do not commit adultery*. But I tell you this: anyone who looks at a woman to satisfy his lust has in fact already committed adultery with her in his heart.

So, if your right eye causes you to sin, pull it out and throw it away! It is much better for you to lose a part of your body than to have your whole body thrown into hell. If your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away! It is better for you to lose a part of your body than to have your whole body thrown into hell.

It was also said: *anyone who divorces his wife must give her a written notice of divorce.* But what I tell you is this: If a man divorces his wife except in the case of unlawful union, he causes her to commit adultery. And the man who marries a divorced woman commits adultery."

Commentary

Jesus did not come to abolish the law but to bring it to fulfillment. In today's reading Jesus takes his explanation beyond the conventional interpretation of the law. He does not start with the evil deed but with the attitude behind it. He points to lust as the real source of so much trouble and pain in married life and condemns it downright in clear terms. He also attacks an actual practice of the law at that time. It was relatively easy for men to obtain a divorce. In this context, Jesus exposes the disastrous consequence of this practice for women.

Heavenly Father, you have given us your Law as a lamp on our way. Engrave this law in our heart that we may enjoy your guidance on our way through life.

Claretian Publications Inc., 8 Mayumi St., UP Village, Diliman, Quezon City, UP P.O. Box 4, Diliman, 1101 Quezon City; Tel.: 921-3984; Fax: 921-7429; E-mail: claret@cnl.net; Websites: http://www.bible.claret.org (Claretian Publications Inc.) & http://missionaries.claret.org (Claretians in the Philippines)

Striking visual correlatives

VIEWFINDER

Nestor U. Torre

VISUALLY, the action film, "Alas Dose," is a compelling production, replete with images charged with drama and atmosphere. It's similar in look to the actioners directed by **Toto Natividad** and **Jun Posadas**, which provide striking visual correlatives to their fight scenes, confrontations and other highlights.

"Alas Dose" is also interesting for the fact that it has only a few, choice action highlights, compared to many other movies' indiscriminate inclusion of all sorts of action highlights, thus dulling their excitement quotient due to overuse.

Third, we like the film's effort to "humanize" its action by providing detail and texture to the members of the bomb squad led by **Cesar Montano**'s character.

The members played by the likes of **Dick Israel** and **Patricia Javier** are made to come across as interesting people, so when bad things happen to them in the course of the story, viewers' emotions are stirred.

Fourth, Cesar's "loner" character in this film is a departure from his usual smart-alecky portrayals, and the innovation makes his performance here more viewable than usual.

Fifth, **Christopher de Leon** goes against type and plays a mad bomber.

And sixth, **Behn Cervantes** and plays the important role of a veteran activist who trained Christopher's character in urban terrorism years ago.

Unlike actors who love big, showy performances, Behn keeps his thespic cards close to his chest and comes up with a subtle and fascinating portrayal.

Despite these innovative touches, however, the film fails to make as big a total impression as it could have. To start with, many of the movie's visual flourishes turn out to be merely decorative touches—the icing, not the cake.

An example of this is a showdown between Cesar and Christopher staged in a deserted building that's been enlivened with fireworks that give the scene a different look.

Trouble is, when you study what actually happens during the visually exciting scene you realize that Cesar and Christopher keep missing each other, even after firing their guns for what feels like hundreds of times.

And, after the long sequence has played itself out, you discover that it hasn't added to the story in any significant way. It's only a visually interesting diversion, and the film feels overlong due to the inclusion of ultimately self-serving scenes like this.

Also a letdown is Christopher's portrayal of the villain which is too mannered. And the relationship between the characters played by Cesar and **Sunshine Cruz** isn't productively developed.

Also, the plot twist explaining why the villain has used Sunshine to spring Behn's character from prison isn't meaningfully presented, so the film ends on an "off" note.

Still, we credit the movie for some of its innovations that do work. The film is viewable, but just make sure that you're aware of its slow and low points as you give its more successful elements your rapt attention.

TV treats

WEDNESDAY, June 20 at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Cannel V Int'l., "The Lenny Kravitz Special" combines video footage, concert clips and interviews to come up with a musical portrait of the flamboyant performer on tour.

Thursday, June 21 at 2:30 a.m. and 10:45 p.m. on Star Movies, "The Golden Spiders" stars **Timothy Hutton** and **Maury Chaykin**. When a young eyewitness comes to the two crimebusters for help, they have no idea that they're about to be dragged into a world of greed, extortion and murder.

JOEY @ 92.3 Rhythms FM METRO MANILA
Joey's Café Tour
Join The Mug Squad at Seattle's Best Coffee with steamy sax music from Vince Lajora!
The Mug Squad @ Seattle's Best Coffee
E. Rodriguez
Rockwell
Megamall
JUNE 15, 22 & 29
Appliance Center Our Name Is Your Guarantee
Philippine Daily Inquirer People at Work
Preview

Duchovny complains about losing on 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire'

LOS ANGELES—Actor David Duchovny says a producer punctuation screw-up caused him to lose a $500,000 answer on the TV game show "Who Wants to be a Millionaire."

The brainy star of the comedy film "Evolution," a Princeton grad who took up acting while pursuing a doctorate in literature at Yale, was asked to identify the film that ends with the line "Good luck among them, English."

Duchovny, 40, said "Braveheart," but the answer was "Witness."

The comma was missing when the line was displayed, the former star of television cult hit "The X-Files" complained.

"I was like, 'There was no comma, there was no comma.' And I was like, how much of an egghead, sour grapes idiot do you want to seem by actually complaining about this."

And he kept harping and, yes, carping until he actually sounded funny. "I think there should have been a comma and without a comma, I think I need a recount."

The show aired Monday.

Warning: Concert in progress

LOS ANGELES—The Federal Aviation Administration on Tuesday urged pilots to avoid disturbing concert-goers and refrain from flying over the famed Hollywood Bowl and the John Anson Ford Amphitheater during the summer concert season here.

"The FAA will modify aircraft flight patterns when possible to minimize noise for concert audiences," said Jerry Snyder of the FAA.

"White searchlights and strobe lights over the outdoor Hollywood Bowl will alert pilots that a concert at the Bowl is in progress," Snyder said.

The venues are five miles southeast of Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport and 15 miles north-northeast of Los Angeles International Airport, Snyder said.

'Pearl Harbor' composer moves up

LOS ANGELES—The summer blockbuster "Pearl Harbor" seems to have paid off for the woman who wrote the theme song.

Diane Warren, whose hit single "There You'll Be" was recorded by Faith Hill for "Pearl Harbor," is trading up—buying a three-bedroom, beachfront home in Malibu and selling her two-bedroom Malibu condo, the Los Angeles Times reports.

The asking price of the modern-style, 2,100-square-foot home she purchased was about $1.9 million, the paper says.

Warren's ocean-view condo is listed at about $1.1 million.

The multiple-Oscar nominee also wrote "Where the Dream Takes You," recorded by Mya for Disney's animated feature "Atlantis."

Drug raps vs TV star dismissed

LOS ANGELES—A judge has dismissed three drug-related charges against Andy Dick after the former costar of TV's "NewsRadio" completed an 18-month drug diversion program.

Judge Stephen Marcus dismissed a felony cocaine possession, and misdemeanor charges of marijuana possession and possession of a smoking device on Monday.

Dick, 35, had pleaded guilty back in August 1999.

"Since the incident happened and I've been able to conquer my problems, I've never been happier emotionally, in my family and in my career," Dick said in a statement his lawyer Michael Nasatir read over the phone.

Another judge sentenced Dick to three years probation and ordered him to repay the city for toppling a light pole during a 1999 car crash in Hollywood.

On "NewsRadio" he played a bumbling station employee opposite the late Phil Hartman, who was shot to death in 1998 by his wife in a murder-suicide.

Dick reportedly was with actor David Strickland in the hours before the "Suddenly Susan" co-star hanged himself in a seedy Las Vegas motel room in 1999.

AFP

Come and feel the Joy with ...
Freestyle on Fire!
With Special Guest Ms. Bituin Escalante
June 15 & 16, 2001 • 8:30 PM
Music Museum, Greenhills
Ticket Prices at P1200 • P650 • P850 • P400
Tickets available at:
Wilbros Production Center 372-6038 372-6039
National Book Store TicketWorld Robinson's Galleria & Robinson's Place, Manila 891-5610
brought to you by: Betadine Feminine Wash, Philippine Daily Inquirer, Astring-o-sol Ice, Hello!, Don Henrico's Pizza, Pasta and More, Vortex, mossimo, Premiere Cars Club, Cream-O, Casino Filipino, Close Up, Piattos
and in part by: 88.3, Mellow Touch, Magic 89.9, 105.1 Crossover, 103.5 K-Lite, The Hive 100.3FM, Wave 89.1, RT, 99.5

Softening up to hard rock

(From page A29)

need a little sympathy 'coz fear is strong, and love is for everyone who isn't me,'" deep inside we feel and understand that kind of hopelessness and self-pity.

When Linkin' Park shouts "*Against my will I stand beside my own reflection. It's haunting how I can't seem to find myself . . .*" somehow it hits a nerve. It reminds us of a time when we weren't so comfortable and so secure.

I once asked a friend why he liked a particular rock song so much and he answered, "The song speaks to me. What that song is about . . . that's my life."

Rocks songs are a vehicle for self-expression. Some songs express love, some hurt, some joy. Why not express anger? Not that all rock songs are necessarily angry but the way they are sung involves a forceful and emotion-filled manner that seems to scream "In your face!"

Listening to and singing these songs can be outlets for kids who feel repressed by their schools or parents, individuals who may feel shunned by traditional society, people who are labeled as deviants by the community because of the way they cut their hair or wear their clothes. So they hear these songs and the people singing them seem to feel exactly the way they do. They think, enough of this Mickey Mouse stuff, I'm angry and I want to be allowed to feel it.

In the local scene, rock music is obviously popular with the young masses, maybe because they feel neglected and abused. They think rock stars understand their anger and their situation. I don't know if they can see themselves in the likes of The Company or relate to songs by Martin Nievera. I highly doubt it.

Impressive talent is actually behind rock songs. Most rock bands write their own material, and many of it is good material. It takes a whole lot of skills to make instruments come to life the way the drums and guitars do in rock songs. What is hard is how the beat and rhythm have to exactly fit and mesh with the feeling of the lyrics. Dance songs just need to have a catchy beat. Love songs just have to be slow. Rock music seems to require the precise speed, slowness, loudness, or abruptness to match each line.

Yes, most of the time rock music is loud, deafening, but the loudness does go with the lyrics.

There are also many misconceptions about rock bands that have been blown out of proportion. Sure, they have their share of addicts, criminals or psychos, but so does every other music genre. Who knows, your favorite boy band member may look cute and innocent in his checkered blue polo, but how sure are you that he really traps himself in his room to do his homework after a performance? Don't judge every band by how they look in their MTV video.

I still don't love heavy rock music. I still get headaches and I still can never understand what they're screaming. Yet, I do not at all hate it anymore and I understand it more now.

In trying to understand, I learned to be not so judgmental about what I do not know much about.

Jewelry and the willingness to love

(From page A31)

Meaning last night. When I read something that causes me to rethink one of my lifelong ideas, it must mean it's a pretty powerful and, most likely, more accurate viewpoint.

In the first chapter, "Behold: The Power of Love," is written, "But finding love is even less about finding the right person than it is about being the right person . . ."

Me and him

Maybe that's why finding my match has been so elusive. I've been praying for the right partner to come into my life, going into details about the qualities he should possess, when I should have been also praying for God to make me the "right" person in answer to someone else's prayers. Equal in importance to his being all that I want and need, I should be all that he wants and needs, or more importantly, have the ability and the motivation to evolve for him and with him.

Maybe that's where I've been going wrong. It really should be less about me and what would make me happy, and more about "him" and what would give him security, comfort, affection, joy, intellectual stimulation and true partnership.

After all, all the gemstones and positively inscribed jewelry in the world, as pretty and as hip as they are, are truly just accessories, right? It doesn't mean I'll stop wearing them. It just means I'm finally learning to start paying more attention to how I can enhance myself, from within.

LEAVE THEM HANGING. Martin Nievera is making sure his audiences will keep coming back.

After 19 years, I can sing what I want–Martin

SHOWBIZ TIDBITS

Leah Salterio

WHILE Martin Nievera was planning his latest concert series at Onstage Greenbelt, he took time out to watch his first major concert, "On the Right Track," staged in 1984.

"There are some songs from that concert which I want to bring back," he says. "I wanted to revive the Doobie Brothers medley. But while I was watching the video of that show, I heard the song which I wrote in answer to a song that I had written for **Pops (Fernandez)**.

"I wrote the song 'Always' for Pops, which was one of the first tunes she recorded. I wrote it because that's how she signs, 'Always, Pops.'

"Then I wrote 'Don't Be Afraid' especially for 'On the Right Track.' Strangely enough, if you listen to the words of that song now, it's like I knew the break-up of my marriage with Pops was really going to happen.

"The lyrics are *'Don't be afraid to say you love me/ Don't be afraid to show you care/ Why is it hard to say you love me, from the start . . .*

"My hair was standing while I was watching the video. I might even do that ('Always') for this series."

After performing in very successful shows through the years, Martin said it shouldn't be hard to line up a repertoire for a series like the one he's doing at Onstage.

"You beat your head against the wall trying to think of some great concept when you shouldn't have to at this stage in the game," he explains. "On my 19th year in show biz, I can sing what I want. I'm going to sing a lot of classics in this show.

"When I was told I would do a more intimate show in a smaller venue, it was a dilemma because 'XVIII' was such a big production. But after 18 years in show biz, I believe people come to watch my show to hear me sing my songs.

"To do a boy band tune only because it's popular on the radio is a waste of time. Even if I sang 'Be My Lady' one million times, people still want to hear it. They'd probably push me off the stage if I don't sing 'Kahit Isang Saglit.'

"So I'm going to sing my hits. When I watch **Kenny Loggins**, I can't wait to hear the songs like 'Footloose' or 'Forever' even if I've heard him sing them one million times."

He says there'll be no more **Ricky Martin** dance tunes this time. But he will do "Nobody Wants to be Lonely" (Ricky Martin's duet with **Christina Aguilera**) with newcomer **Maxine**.

He is mum about having any special guests on the show.

"If Pops or Gary (Valenciano) is in the audience, they can go on stage and sing with me," Martin says. "You know my shows. They're very loose. Anybody from the audience can come up and sing with me.

"I'm going to try and make the series as tight and compact as possible. I want to keep the audience *bitin* so they will come back."

Martin did not think twice about accepting the offer of Maxi-Media International to do the Onstage series for eight weekends, despite his tight calendar.

"These guys were the first ones to give me a job when I first came out from the cold, that's why I'm so grateful to them," he says of his producers. "When they gave me a solo show at Captain's Bar, I was asked then by **Vladimir Bonoan**, 'Do you think you could fill up Captain's Bar?' That was a perfect question for me at that time.

"Imagine a Martin Nievera being questioned if he could fill up a venue like Captain's Bar? That wasn't exaggerating, but it only goes to show that my career was so low after the breakup of my marriage with Pops. But I didn't care whether only five or 500 people came to watch me at that time. I was there to perform."

Today, no one will dare ask Martin that kind of question again.

Kim in the UK

THREE-time Manila Councilor **Kim Atienza** sent us a text message reacting to our column item (Showbiz Tidbits, June 6, 2001), "Where is Kim."

We wrote that after Kim was elected councilor for the third time, he reportedly went on vacation and was either in Hong Kong, Hawaii or Boracay.

The son of Manila Mayor **Lito Atienza**, who is himself a reelectionist, is indeed taking a much-needed rest after the grueling election campaign. But Kim said he is in the UK and would be back in two weeks.

Jay joins RMN

WE haven't heard from **Jay Sonza** after he decided not to join the senatorial race in the May 14 elections. Recently, however, we learned the veteran radio-TV journalist joined RMN News and now anchors the 6 to 9 p.m. news and public affairs program over 558 RMN News Manila. The program is also heard nationwide via the RMN satellite facilities.

Jay brings to RMN News years of multi-media broadcast experience. He is now heard daily, Mondays to Friday.

Lou sings at Roma

REPUBLIC of Malate and Dimitri Productions present "Cool Nights at the Republic," a concert-cum-party on June 16, featuring pop-rock artist Lou Bonnevie.

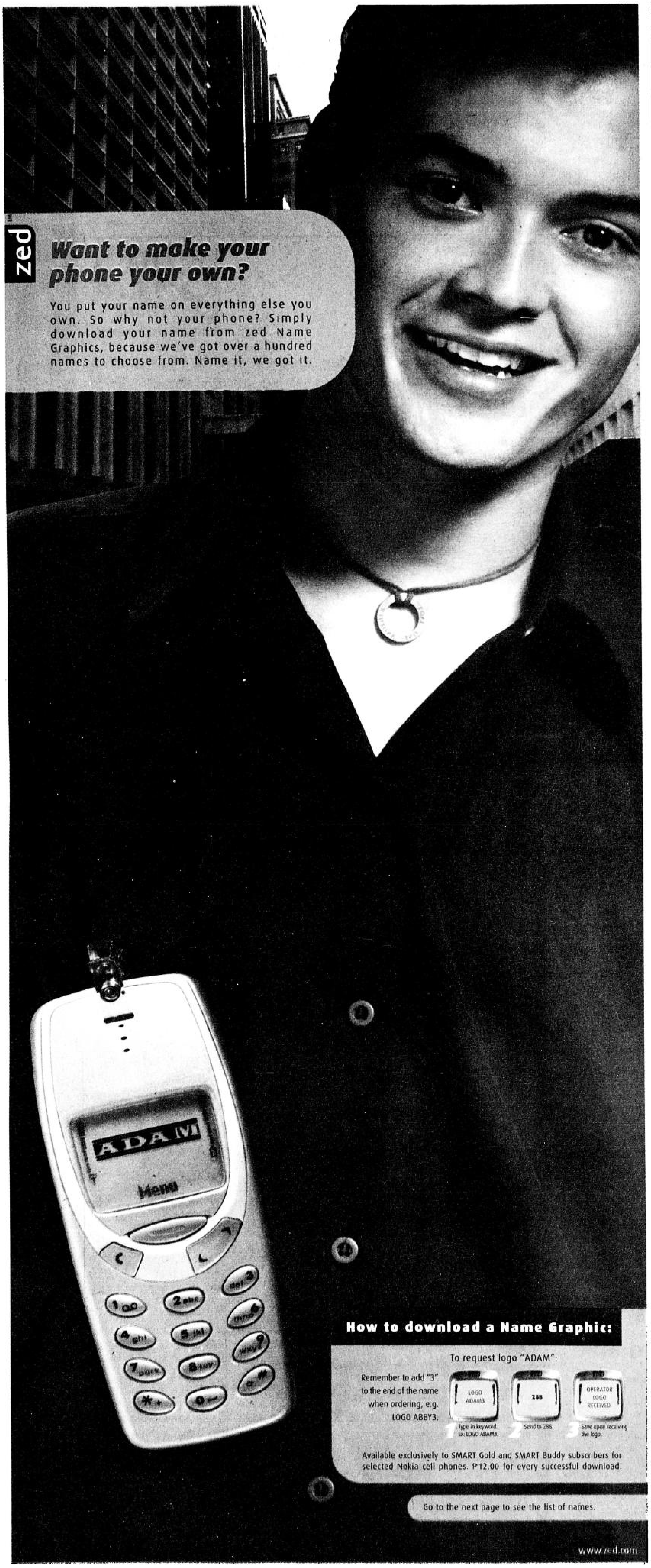
Her diverse repertoire will include songs from U2, Police, Blondie, Aerosmith, Tina Turner, The Corrs, pop favorites from the '80s and her originals.

The show also features guest appearances of Lou's female colleagues in the business such as Barbie Almalbis of Barbie's Cradle, Cynthia Alexander and Cookie Chua of Color It Red and Skarlet of Brownbeat All Stars.

Other surprise celebrity friends will join Lou onstage for some acoustic unplugs, blues, rock and roll and soul production numbers.

Bands Soul Food and Make My Mama Proud will also perform starting 9 p.m.

Showtime is 10:30 p.m. Entrance is P250. For inquiries, call 897-6991.


zed™

Want to make your phone your own?

You put your name on everything else you own. So why not your phone? Simply download your name from zed Name Graphics, because we've got over a hundred names to choose from. Name it, we got it.

How to download a Name Graphic:

To request logo "ADAM":

Remember to add "3" to the end of the name when ordering, e.g. LOGO ABBY3.

1 Type in keyword. Ex: LOGO ADAM3.
2 Send to 288.
3 Save upon receiving the logo.

Available exclusively to SMART Gold and SMART Buddy subscribers for selected Nokia cell phones. P12.00 for every successful download.

Go to the next page to see the list of names.

www.zed.com

Softening up to hard rock

By Anna Cornejo

NO, mom, they don't worship Satan.

No, they don't all have suicidal tendencies. And they don't perform onstage high on shabu.

I used to hate hard rock music. I could never understand the lyrics, not because they had terms that required you to run to the dictionary but because the words sounded something like "Grrarrr! Huwarraahhh! Grrarr!"

My head would end up throbbing like I had a cell site in my brain and everyone was texting at the same time. Right after listening to a performance I would feel like giving my eardrums a funeral ceremony.

Then I had the pleasure of meeting some people who not only enjoyed this type of music but were members of a band set to make it in the rock world. Against my better judgment, I agreed to attend one of their jamming sessions to see how good they were. By the end of the session, as expected, they had given my eardrums a beating.

"So, how'd we sound? Did you like our songs?"

"What?" I asked.

"Our songs, where they good?"

"What?" I screamed. This went on for a while.

Soon enough my hearing came back and I was able to answer. "Umm . . . well, in *this* music genre, what exactly are the criteria for *good*?"

They never invited me again to a jamming session.

Soon after, though, I started getting real curious. What didn't I see? Why is there a demand for these bands and their music? What is their appeal?

My curiosity led me to start my own little research. I borrowed the lyrics of rock songs my friends listened to and some they even wrote themselves. I watched some local bands perform live, braving the body slamming, shouting and ducking from unidentified flying objects.

After attending each of those action-packed concerts, I'd come home feeling energized. I wanted to go up to my brother, slap him on the back and bark "Pop out the f—ing beer cans! Switch the f—ing channel to wrestling! Watcha waiting for, boy!" But I didn't think he'd buy it.

I continued my so-called research, asking everybody why they liked a particular song or why they preferred hard rock to M2M or Barry Manilow. The answers were pretty interesting. I analyzed what I had learned and came up with three major points that altered my stance about hard rock.

Many rock songs actually have good lyrics. Rock songs, the good ones, have straightforward lines that are raw and genuine. Sometimes we get tired of listening to love songs and songs of hurt and pain that can be so exaggerated and impersonal that we cannot relate to them.

"I'd give my life to have one more night with you." It isn't true, is it? It is a blown up, unrealistic statement intended to make us cry and believe we would really do that for a lover. But when we really think about it, we realize, hey, that's not so smart!

It is not true that *"my world ended when I lost your love."* I may be extremely depressed but my world goes on. So when Soundgarden sings *"Close your eyes and bow your head, I*

SOFTENING/ A27

Shop and make your dreams come true at Robinsons!
HOME
FREE
HOME
RAFFLE PROMO
SOUTH SQUARE VILLAGE

2 HOUSE & LOT UNITS
at Robinsons Homes
South Square Village
Gen. Trias, Cavite

BEDROOM SHOWCASE
- 35.56 cm (14") Sony Color TV
- Single Bed with Pull-out
- Two Salem Mattresses (15.24 cm & 10.16 cm)
- Bedding (4 pillows & 4 pcs. linen set)
- Kelvinator 1HP Air Conditioner
- Closet
- Dresser

KITCHEN SHOWCASE
- .21 m³ (7 cu. ft.) National Refrigerator
- La Germania Gas Range with Rotisserie
- Samsung Microwave Oven
- Sapoe Hot and Cold Water Dispenser
- Moulinex Coffee Maker
- National Rice Cooker

PROMO PERIOD:
APRIL 23 - JUNE 24, 2001
Deadline for Submission of Entries:
June 24, 2001
Raffle Draw Date:
July 3, 2001

AUDIO/VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT SHOWCASE
- 53.34 cm (21") Sony Flat TV
- Pioneer Mini Component System
- Audio/Video Rack

Shop now at Robinsons and get a chance to win any of two (2) brand new house and lot units or appliance showcases in Robinsons' Home Free Home Raffle Promo!

See flyers for details.

ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE
RDS
www.rds.com.ph

ROBINSONS Malls
GALLERIA • MANILA • IMUS
LOS BAÑOS • BACOLOD • CEBU
www.robinsonsland.com

ROBINSONS SUPERMARKET
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0936, Series of 2001

You got it.
Check if your name is on our list and download it now.
Remember to add "3" to the end of the name when ordering, e.g. LOGO ABBY3.
zed™

ABBIE, ABBY, ABEL, ABET, ABIGAIL, ABRAHAM, ABY, ADAM, ADEL, ADELA, ADELFA, ADRIAN, AGATHA, AGNES, AIDA, AIKO, AILEEN, AILENE, AIRA, AJ, AL, ALAIN, ALAN, ALANA, ALANN, ALANNIS, ALBERT, ALBERTO, ALDEN, ALDWIN, ALEC, ALEN, ALENA, ALENN, ALEX, ALEXA, ALEXIS, ALFRED, ALFREDO, ALI, ALICE, ALICIA, ALISON, ALLAIN, ALLAN, ALLEN, ALLISON, ALPHIE, ALVIN, ALVINN, AMANDA, AMBER, AMPIE, AMPY, AMY, ANALISA, ANALIZA, ANDI, ANDREA, ANDREI, ANDRES, ANDREW, ANDRIA, ANDY, ANGEL, ANGELA, ANGELINA, ANGELINE, ANITA, ANN, ANNA, ANNABEL, ANNE, ANNIE, ANNY, ANTHONY, ANTON, ANTONI, APPLE, ARA, ARCHIE, ARIEL, ARIES, ARMAN, ARMAND, ARMANDO, ARNIE, ARNOLD, ART, ARTHUR, ARTIE, ARTURO, ARVIN, ARVINN, ASHLEY, AUBREY, AUDREY, AUGUSTO, AURORA, AUSTIN, AYA, BABY, BARBARA, BARBIE, BARON, BARRY, BART, BEA, BELIA, BELINDA, BELLE, BEN, BENJI, BENJIE, BENNIE, BENNY, BER, BERN, BERNIE, BERNS, BERNY, BERT, BERTO, BESS, BESSY, BETH, BETSY, BETTY, BEVERLY, BIANCA, BILL. BILLIE, BILLY, BOB, BOBBIE, BOBBY, BONG, BONI, BOY, BRAD, BRANDO, BRENDA, BRENT, BRIAN, BRIDGET, BRIEN, BRIGS, BRITANY, BRITNEY, BRIX, BROOKE, BRUCE, BRUNO, BRYAN, BUTCH, CALOY, CALVIN, CAMILLE, CAMMY, CANDY, CARL, CARLA, CARLO, CARLOS, CARLOTA, CARMEN, CARMIE, CARMINA, CAROL, CAROLINA, CAROLINE, CAROLYN, CARRY, CATALINA, CATALINE, CATHY, CATLEA, CATRINA, CAYE, CEASAR, CEAZAR, CECIL, CECILE, CECILIA, CECILLE, CELESTE, CELIA, CES, CESAR, CEZAR, CHACHA, CHAD, CHARISE, CHARITO, CHELSEA, CHENG, CHER, CHERI, CHERRY, CHET, CHICHI, CHICKIE, CHICO, CHING, CHINO, CHITO, CHOT, CHRIS, CHRISTY, CHUCK, CHUCKY, CINDY, CITRUS, CLAIRE, CLARET, CLARK, CLAUDIA, CLAY, CLIF, CLIFF, COCO, COCOY, CODIE, CODY, COI, COKE, COLE, COLEEN, COLIN, COLLE, COLLIN, CONAN, CONE, CONEY, CONNEY, CONNIE, CONNY, COOPER, CORA, CORAZON, COREY, CORREY, CORY, COY, CRAIG, CRIS, CRISPIN, CRISTIE, CRISTY, CRIZ, CRYSTAL, CURT, CURTIS, CYNTHIA, CYPRUS, CYRIL, DAHLIA, DAISAN, DAISY, DALIA, DALIAH, DAMIAN, DANA, DANICA, DANIEL, DANITA, DANTE, DAVE, DAVID, DAWN, DEAN, DEBBIE, DEL, DEN, DENISE, DENNIS, DENNISE, DERIC, DERICK, DESIREE, DESSE, DHALIA, DIAN, DIANA, DIANE, DICK. DIEGO, DIET, DINA, DINDI, DINDIN, DINO, DODGIE, DODIE, DON, DONG, DONITA, DONNA, DORA, DORIS, DOROTHY, DORRY, DOUG, DOY, DOYLE, DRAKE, DUKE, DULCE, DUSTIN, DYLAN, EARL, EBERT, ED, EDDIE, EDEN, EDGAR, EDITH, EDITHA, EDMON, EDMOND, EDMUND, EDWIN, EGAY, EIDEL, EILENE, ELAIN, ELAINE, ELENA, ELEONOR, ELGAN, ELISA, ELLEN, ELMER, ELMO, ELOISA, ELTON, EMA, EMAN, EMIL, EMILENE, EMILIA, EMILIO, EMILY, EMILYN, EMMA, EMON, EMY, ENRICO, ERIC, ERICA, ERICK, ERICKA, ERIK, ERIKA, ERNEST, ERNESTO, ERNIE, ERWIN, ERWINA, ESTER, ESTHER, ETEL, ETHEL, EUGENE, EVA, EVAN, EVELYN, EVITA, FAE, FAITH, FAY, FAYE, FE, FEL, FELICIA, FELISE, FELISA, FELIX, FELIZA, FELLY, FELY, FERDIE, FERDY, FERNAN, FEY, FEYE, FLICK, FLINT, FLORA, FLOYD, FLY, FLYN, FLYNN, FLYNT, FOREST, FOX, FRAN, FRANC, FRANCE, FRANCES, FRANCIS, FRANK, FRANKIE, FRANZ, FRED, FREDD, FREDIE, FREDY, FRISCA, GABBIE, GABBO, GABBY, GABO, GABY, GAIL, GALE, GARI, GARRY, GART, GARTH, GARY, GAVIN, GAY, GEMA, GEMMA, GENE, GENIE, GENNIE, GENNY, GENY, GEORGE, GEORGIA, GERALD, GERARD, GERI, GERMAN, GERRI, GERRY, GERY, GIAN, GIANI, GIANN, GIANNI, GIGI, GIL, GILIAN, GILLIAN, GIN, GINA, GIO, GISELLE, GLADYS, GLADYZ, GLENA, GLENDA, GLENISE, GLENN, GLORIA, GLORY, GLYCEL, GLYDEL, GORDON, GORIO, GRACE, GRANT, GREG, GUY, GWEN, HAIDEE, HANES, HANNA, HANNAH, HANZEL, HARLEY, HARRIET, HARRY, HAYDEE, HAZEL, HECTOR, HEIDI, HELEN, HENRI, HENRY, HERMAN, HILARIO, HILDA, HILLARY, HOLLIE, HOMER, HORACE, HOWARD, HOWIE, HUCK, HUGH, HUGO, HUNTER, IAN, IDA, IKE, ILONA, ILONAH, IMEE, IMEEH, IMELDA, INGRID, IONA, IRA, IRAH, IREEN, IRENE, IRIS, IRISH, IRVING, IRWIN, ISAAC, ISRAEL, ISSA, ISSAH, ITCHIE, IVAN, IVY, IZA, IZAH, IZZA, JACK, JACKIE, JACKY, JACOB, JADE, JAIME, JAKE, JAMES, JAMIE, JAMIL, JANE, JANET, JANINE, JANNO, JASMIN, JASMINE, JAVIER, JAY, JEAN, JED, JEFF, JEMMA, JENG, JENI, JENINA, JENINE, JENNIE, JENNY, JEREMIE, JEREMY, JERRY, JESICA, JESS, JESSICA, JESSIE, JESUS, JET, JHUN, JILL, JIM, JIMMY, JIM, JOAN, JOANA, JOANAH, JOANNA, JOANNE, JOE, JOEL, JOEY, JOHAN, JOHANNA, JOHANNE, JOHN, JOJO, JOLINA, JOMAR, JOMER, JON, JONALD, JONARD, JONNA, JORDAN, JORGE, JOSE, JOSEPH, JOSHUA, JOSIE, JOSSA, JOVEN, JOVER, JOVIE, JOVY, JOY, JOYCE, JR, JUAN, JUANITA, JULIA, JULIET, JULIETA, JUNIE, JUNJUN, JUNN, JUSTIN, JUVY, KANE, KAREN, KARLO, KATE, KATHY, KATKAT, KATRIN, KATRINA, KATRINE, KC, KELLY, KELSEY, KELVIN, KEN, KENKEN, KENNY, KENT, KEVIN, KIKO, KIM, KING. KIRK, KURT, KURTIS, KYLA, KYLE, LAILA, LAILANI, LALAINE, LENNIE, LENNOX, LENNY, LEO, LEON, LERRY, LETTIE, LETTY, LILIAN, LINDA, LINDSAY, LISA, LISETTE, LISSA, LITO, LIWAY, LIZA, LIZZA, LLOYD, LOI, LOIDA, LOISE, LOLITA, LORELIE, LORETA, LORETTA, LORRIE, LOTLOT, LOUIE, LOUIS, LOUISE, LOURDES, LOVELY, LUCAS, LUCITA, LUIS, LUISA, LUKE, MAAN, MABEL, MAC, MACKY, MAE, MAGDA, MALOU, MANDY, MANNY, MARCELO, MARCIA, MARCIE, MARCO, MARCY, MARGA, MARGIE, MARIA, MARIANO, MARIE, MARIO, MARITA, MARIZ, MARK, MARLO, MARLON, MARLOU, MARSHA, MARTHA, MARY, MATTHEW, MAX, MAXIE, MAYBEL, MEANN, MEGAN, MEL, MELANI, MELODY, MELY, MERCY, MIA, MICA, MICO, MIKE, MIKEE, MIKO, MILA, MILEN, MILES, MILLIE, MILO, MILVER, MIMI, MINA, MINDA, MING, MIRIAM, MOE, MOLLY, MON, MONA, MONICA, MOY, MYLA, MYRA, NADIA, NADINE, NANCY, NAP, NAT, NATH, NATO, NATZ, NEAL, NEGGIE, NEIL, NENA, NET, NHAT, NICK, NICKO, NICO, NICOLE, NIEL, NIKO, NILA, NILO, NINA, NINI, NINOY, NITA, NITZ, NOAH, NOEH, NOEL, NOLI, NONOY, NORA, NOREEN, NORENE, NORLYN, NORMA, NORMY, NOY, OFELIA, OG, OGIE, OLGA, OLIVE, OLIVIA, OLSEN, OMAR, OPHIE, ORLAN, ORLAND, OSCAR, OWEN, PABLO, PAM, PAMELA, PAOLA, PAOLO, PAT, PATTY, PAUL, PAULA, PAYNE, PAZ, PEACHIE, PEACHY, PECHIE, PEDRO, PEGGIE, PEGGY, PELE, PENNIE, PENNY, PERRY, PETE, PETER, PHOEBE, PINKY, POLLY, POLY, PRECY, RACHEL, RAMONA, RAYNA, REA, REAH, REGINA, REGINE, RHEA, RIA, RIEZEL, RINA, RINBEL, RONA, ROSA, ROSE, ROSEL, ROSELL, ROSI, ROSIE, ROSY, ROWENA, RUBY, RUTH, RYAN, SAM, SANDIE, SANDY, SARA, SARAH, SELENA, SELINA, SHANON, SHARON, SHARRA, SHERLY, SHERYL, SHIELA, SILVIA, SMILE, SOFIA, SONIA, SONYA, SOPHIA; SUSAN, SYLVIA, TAM, TAMI, TAMIE, TAMMIE, TAMMY, TAMY, TAYLOR, TED, TEDDY, TEEN, TEODY, TERESA, TERRY, TESS, TESSY, TETET, THALIA, THELMA, THOMAS, TIM, TIMMIE, TINA, TINAH, TINTIN, TITA, TOBIE, TOBY, TODD, TOM, TOMAS, TOMI, TOMMY, TOMY, TONEE, TONI, TONIE, TONTON, TONY, TRACI, TRACIE, TRACY, TRISHA, TRIXIE, TYLER, UMA, UMBERT, USHER, VER, VERA, VERLON, VERNA, VI, VIA, VIC, VICKIE, VICKY, VICTOR, VICVIC, VIE, VILMA, VINCE, VIRGIL, VIVIAN, VIVIEN, WACKY, WALLIE, WALLY, WALT, WALTER, WARREN, WAYNE, WENA, WENDY, WENG, WENIE, WENNA, WENNIE, WENNY, WENY, WILBUR, WILL, WILLIE, WILLY, WILMA, WILMER, WILSON, WINIE, WINNIE, XITRUS, XYPRUS, XYRIL, YANA, YANG, YANI, YANO, YAYA, YENA, YENG, YIN, YING, YOLLY, YONG, YONI, YOYO, YOYONG, YOYOY, YVES, YVETTE, YVONNE, ZAK, ZALDY, ZANDRO, ZANDY, ZAP, ZEN, ZENNY, ZENY, ZEUS, ZIP, ZOE, ZOREN, ZSA, ZSAZSA.

www.zed.com

SM CINEMA GUIDE

SM Dial-A-Movie • Tel. 633-9999

NOW SHOWING

SM CITY BACOOR 4173808

1	DOLBY SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS
2	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
3	DOLBY DIGITAL	THE REPLICANT
4	DOLBY SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
5	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	PEARL HARBOR
6	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
7	DOLBY SURROUND	GET OVER IT
8	DOLBY SURROUND	SPOT

SM CENTERPOINT 7140522 • 7161416

1	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
2	DOLBY SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
3	DTS	THE MUMMY RETURNS
4	DOLBY SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
5	DOLBY DIGITAL	PEARL HARBOR
6	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	ANTS IN THE PANTS
7	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
8	DOLBY SURROUND	GET OVER IT
9	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
10	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	SPOT

SM CITY FAIRVIEW 9350749

1	DOLBY SURROUND	ANGEL EYES
2	DOLBY SURROUND	MAGENTA
3	DOLBY SURROUND	GET OVER IT
4	DOLBY DIGITAL	PEARL HARBOR
5	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
6	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
7	DOLBY DIGITAL	PEARL HARBOR
8	DOLBY SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS
9	DOLBY SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
10	DOLBY SURROUND	ANTS IN THE PANTS
11	DOLBY SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
12	DOLBY SURROUND	SPOT

SM CITY MANILA 5239240

1	DOLBY DIGITAL	PEARL HARBOR
2	DOLBY DIGITAL	HEAD OVER HEELS
3	DOLBY SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
4	DOLBY SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS
5	DOLBY DIGITAL	GET OVER IT
6	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	PEARL HARBOR
7	DOLBY SURROUND	SPOT
8	DOLBY SURROUND	ANGEL EYES
9	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
10	DOLBY SURROUND	MAGENTA
11	DOLBY SURROUND	VALENTINE
12	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR

GUADALUPE COMM'L CTR 8820950

1	ULTRA SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
2	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
3	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR

SM MEGAMALL 6331801 • 6329401

1	DOLBY DIGITAL	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
2	DOLBY SURROUND	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
3	DOLBY DIGITAL	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
4	DTS	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
5	DOLBY SURROUND	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
6	DOLBY SURROUND	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
7	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
8	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
9	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
10	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
11	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
12	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	SPOT

SM CITY NORTH EDSA 9295452

1	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
2	DOLBY SURROUND	GET OVER IT
3	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	SPOT
4	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
5	DOLBY SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
6	DOLBY SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
7	DTS	THE MUMMY RETURNS
8	DOLBY DIGITAL	PEARL HARBOR
9	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	MAGENTA
10	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
11	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	TRAFFIC
12	DOLBY SURROUND	ANTS IN THE PANTS

SM SOUTHMALL 8066888 • 8066782

1	ULTRA SURROUND	GET OVER IT
2	ULTRA SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS
3	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	PEARL HARBOR
4	ULTRA SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
5	ULTRA SURROUND	ANTS IN THE PANTS
6	ULTRA SURROUND	ALAS DOSE
7	ULTRA SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
8	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	THE REPLICANT
9	ULTRA SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
10	ULTRA SURROUND	SPOT

TUTUBAN CENTER 2514302

1	ULTRA SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
2	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	THE REPLICANT
3	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
4	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	MAGENTA

SM CEBU 2313876

1	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
2	ULTRA SURROUND	VALENTINE
3	ULTRA SURROUND	HEAD OVER HEELS
4	ULTRA SURROUND	15 MINUTES
5	ULTRA SURROUND	ANTS IN THE PANTS
6	ULTRA SURROUND	ALAS DOSE
7	DOLBY SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS

SM ILOILO 3209422

1	ULTRA SURROUND	SOMEONE LIKE YOU
2	ULTRA SURROUND	CLOSED
3	ULTRA SURROUND	THE MUMMY RETURNS
4	ULTRA SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
5	ULTRA SURROUND	TRAFFIC
6	ULTRA SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
7	ULTRA SURROUND	CLOSED
8	ULTRA SURROUND	CARTA ALAS

SM PAMPANGA 7128015

1	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	PEARL HARBOR
2	DOLBY DIGITAL EX	THE MUMMY RETURNS
3	DOLBY SURROUND	PEARL HARBOR
4	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO
5	SYNTHESIZED SURROUND	ANGEL EYES
6	DOLBY SURROUND	BUHAY KAMAO

Movies are subject to change without prior notice.

AYALA CINEMAS

NOW SHOWING

YOUR 24-HOUR LINK TO ALL AYALA CINEMAS 729 - 7777
reserve seats through www.sureseats.com

GLORIETTA 1 formerly QUAD

1	HEAD OVER HEELS	
2	PEARL HARBOR	
3	THE REPLICANT	
4	BUHAY KAMAO	

GLORIETTA 4 All Digital Sound

1	PEARL HARBOR	in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
2	THE REPLICANT	in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
3	PEARL HARBOR THX	in DSD/SDDS/DTS DIGITAL SOUND
4	GET OVER IT	in DTS DIGITAL SOUND
5	SPOT	in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
6	HEAD OVER HEELS	in DTS/SDDS DIGITAL SOUND
7	THE MUMMY RETURNS	in DTS DIGITAL SOUND

Art Film

GREENBELT

1	THE REPLICANT	in DOLBY STEREO DIGITAL SOUND
2	PEARL HARBOR	in SONY DYNAMIC DIGITAL SOUND
3	HEAD OVER HEELS	in DOLBY STEREO DIGITAL SOUND
4	MARTIN NIEVERA LIVE June 15-16 9PM Onstage	

ALABANG TOWN CENTER

1	PEARL HARBOR THX	in DSD/SDDS DIGITAL SOUND
2	THE REPLICANT	in DSD DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
3	HEAD OVER HEELS	in DTS DIGITAL SOUND
4	SPOT	in DTS DIGITAL SOUND
5	GET OVER IT	in DTS DIGITAL SOUND

MMTA

METRO MANILA THEATERS ASSOCIATION

MOVIE GUIDE

NOW SHOWING

EMAIL: mmta@asia.com

Filinvest FESTIVAL CINEMA
(Muntinlupa) tel 850.3571 or 72

1	(DTS)	ANTS IN THE PANTS
2	(SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
3	(DTS)	THE MUMMY RETURNS
4	GOLD (DTS)	SPOT
5	GOLD (DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
6	GOLD (SDDS)	HEAD OVER HEELS
7	GOLD (DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
8	[illegible]	THE REPLICANT
9	[illegible]	GET OVER IT
10	[illegible]	BUHAY KAMAO

Pearl Plaza Cinemas
(Parañaque) tel. 853 4486

1		SOMEONE LIKE YOU
2		ANTI TRUST
3	(DTS)	RESERVE
4		RESERVE
5		RESERVE
6	(DTS)	PEARL HARBOR

Golden Pearl THX

Masagana CINEMAX 1-2 & 3
(Kalaw) tel 536.4315

1	(DOLBY)	AMBISYOSA
2	(DTS)	PEARL HARBOR
3		GET OVER IT

Masagana CINEMA
(Pasay) tel 831.6603

1	BUHAY KAMAO
2	PEARL HARBOR
3	THE REPLICANT

starmall Movies
(Shaw Blvd.) tel 724.4986

1		BUHAY KAMAO
2		OTHER SIDE OF LOVE
3		HEAD OVER HEELS
4	(DOLBY DIGITAL)	PEARL HARBOR
5		CUT AWAY

Metropolis
(Alabang) tel 543.4001

1	RESERVE
2	RESERVE
3	BUHAY KAMAO
4	MAGENTA
5	SPOT
6	PEARL HARBOR
7	THE REPLICANT
8	THE MUMMY RETURNS

LOUIE'S CINEMA THX
(Makati City) tel 751.2010/892.3349

1	PEARL HARBOR

Center Plaza Cinema
(Balanga, Bataan) tel (047) 237.7007

1	THE MUMMY RETURNS
2	ALAS DOSE

FCM FAIRVIEW CENTER MALL, INC
tel 930.9515

1	RESERVE
2	SEX CLUB
3	PEARL HARBOR

Spring
(Libertad, Pasay City) tel 831.7864

1	BUHAY KAMAO
A	PEARL HARBOR

Sunshine
(FTI, Taguig) tel 838.4301 loc. 3376

1	PEARL HARBOR
2	BUHAY KAMAO
3	RESERVE
4	RESERVE

GOTESCO CINEMA

City
(Manila) tel 734.8588

1	(DOLBY)	BUHAY KAMAO
2		THE MUMMY RETURNS
3		MAGENTA
4		GET OVER IT
5		PEARL HARBOR
6		THE REPLICANT
7	(DTS)	SPOT
8	(SDDS)	HEAD OVER HEELS
9	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR

Caloocan
tel 362.3508

2	BUHAY KAMAO

Grand Central
(Caloocan) tel 364.3781

1		BUHAY KAMAO
2		BUHAY KAMAO
3		THE REPLICANT
4	(SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
5		GET OVER IT
6	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
7	(DTS)	THE MUMMY RETURNS
8		LABRADOR
9		MAGENTA

Commonwealth
tel 951.0083

1	(DTS)	SPOT
2		BUHAY KAMAO
3		THE REPLICANT
4		MAGENTA
5	(SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
6		HEAD OVER HEELS
7	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
8		GET OVER IT

Ortigas
tel 656.6795

1		THE REPLICANT
2		BUHAY KAMAO
3	(DTS)	SPOT
4		GET OVER IT
5	(SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR

Universal
(Manila) tel 733.2470

1	BUHAY KAMAO

Sampaguita
(Cubao) tel 911.7888

1	BUHAY KAMAO

Dilson
(Manila) tel 734.7724

Dilson Lords Jennet	LABRADOR

MARKETPLACE Mandaluyong
tel 533.3851 / 533.3856

1	PEARL HARBOR
2	BUHAY KAMAO
3	THE REPLICANT
4	GET OVER IT

Prima
(Pasig) tel 641.1215

1 2	BUHAY KAMAO

Isetann Cinerama Complex Recto
SUPER CINERAMA tel 733.4238

1	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
2		THE REPLICANT
3		MAGENTA
4		BUHAY KAMAO
5		SPOT

New Divisoria Mall
CINEMA tel 244.4619

1	BUHAY KAMAO
2	PEARL HARBOR
3	LABRADOR
4	THE REPLICANT
5	MAGENTA
6	RESERVE

Baclaran LRT
CINEMA tel 512.0115

1	(DOLBY)	BUHAY KAMAO
2		THE REPLICANT
3		PEARL HARBOR
4		
5		

CINEMA 2000

Cinema 2000 Target Mall
(Sta. Rosa Laguna)
tel (049) 534.2185 / 534.2198

1		PEARL HARBOR
2		ANGEL EYES
3	(DTS)	BUHAY KAMAO

Cinema 2000 Waltermart
(Calamba) tel (049) 545.7383

1		ANTS IN THE PANTS
2	(DTS)	BUHAY KAMAO
3	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
4		ANGEL EYES

Lianas Cinema
(Alabang) tel 850.1276

1	(SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
2		MY WIFE LOVER
3		BUHAY KAMAO
4	(DTS)	THE REPLICANT

Lianas MovieCity
(Calamba) tel (049) 545.7202

1	(DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
2		BUHAY KAMAO
3	(DTS)	THE MUMMY RETURNS
4		ANTS IN THE PANTS
5		ANGEL EYES

Olivarez Tri-Cinema
(Biñan) tel (049) 511.8883

1	PEARL HARBOR
2	BUHAY KAMAO
3	ANGEL EYES

Olivarez Los Baños
tel (049) 536.5101

1	PEARL HARBOR
2	BUHAY KAMAO
3	ANGEL EYES

Olivarez Tagaytay
tel (046) 413.0311

1	KAMASUTRA
2	15 MINUTES
3	SAMBAHIN ANG NGALAN MO

Morales Cinema
(Biñan) tel (049) 511 9736

1	BUHAY KAMAO
2	PEARL HARBOR
3	ANGEL EYES

Cabuyao
(Laguna City) tel (049) 531.4808

1	(DTS)	PEARL HARBOR
2	(DTS)	BUHAY KAMAO

Fourstep
(Cavite) tel (046) 416.2385

1	PEARL HARBOR

Emperor
(Rosario Cavite) tel (046) 438.1657

1	SELOSA
2	PEARL HARBOR
3	THE MUMMY RETURNS

Fiesta World Mall
(Lipa) tel (043) 981.0790

1	ANGEL EYES
2	LABRADOR
3	PEARL HARBOR
4	PEARL HARBOR

Berma
tel 879.2168

1	PEARL HARBOR
2	THE REPLICANT

CitiMall
(Parañaque) tel 820.7269

1	SPOT
2	LABRADOR
3	BUHAY KAMAO
4	PEARL HARBOR

Jade Cinema
(Angeles City) tel (045) 887.5001 to 03

1	(DOLBY EX)	PEARL HARBOR
2		ANGEL EYES
3		BUHAY KAMAO
4	(DTS EX)	THE MUMMY RETURNS

*Movies are subject to change without prior notice

THX DOLBY dts SDDS

TICKETRON

BORACAY MANIA!

3 days, 2 nights
for only P6,333!

Inclusive of:
- Airfare via Air Philippines (Manila-Kalibo-Manila)
- Accommodation at Pink Patio w/ daily breakfast
- Roundtrip transfer (airport-hotel-airport)
- Rates are on a per person basis on a twin sharing arrangement.
- Promo valid until June 30, 2001.

Other Air Philippines and PAL domestic tickets also available. For reservations, please call or visit us at:
3/F Gotesco City, 1962 CM Recto Ave., Manila 734-4435 to 38, 734-8588 or 734-8398

ROBINSONS MOVIE WORLD

STATE-OF-THE-ART CINEMAS

e-mail:htc@netasia-mla.net
http//www.robinsonsmovieword.com

NOW SHOWING

Movies are subject to change without prior notice

ERMITA 536-7809-14

1. PEARL HARBOR
2. HEAD OVER HEELS
3. GET OVER IT
4. SPOT
5. BUHAY KAMAO
6. PEARL HARBOR
7. THE REPLICANT

GALLERIA

1. OPENS JUNE 13, 2001
2. PEARL HARBOR
3. PEARL HARBOR
4. PEARL HARBOR
5. BUHAY KAMAO
6. GET OVER IT
7. SPOT
8. HEAD OVER HEELS
9. OPENS JUNE 13, 2001
10. OPENS JUNE 13, 2001

IMUS (046)875-3836

1. PEARL HARBOR
2. HEAD OVER HEELS
3. THE REPLICANT
4. GET OVER IT
5. SPOT
6. BUHAY KAMAO

BACOLOD (034)441-0453

1. PEARL HARBOR
2. PEARL HARBOR
3. LUCKY NUMBERS
4. THE MUMMY RETURNS
5. SOMEONE LIKE YOU
6. CARTA ALAS

DOLBY dts SDDS

THEATER MOVIE GUIDE

ARANETA CENTER THEATERS 911-3101	
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-1	BUHAY KAMAO
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-2	THE REPLICANT
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-3 (DDS)	SPOT
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-4 (SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-5 (DTS)	PEARL HARBOR
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-6 (DOLBY)	GET OVER IT
ALI MALL CINEPLEX-7 (DOLBY)	HEAD OVER HEELS
FARMERS PLAZA-1 (DOLBY)	BUHAY KAMAO
FARMERS PLAZA-2 (DOLBY)	PEARL HARBOR
FIESTA CARNIVAL	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
NEW FRONTIER	CLOSED FOR RENOVATION
MANILA	
EASTERN	
MAXIM	CLOSED
MIRAMAR	HULING PAGHIHINTAY / KAMASUTRE 2
ODEON	BUHAY KAMAO
ODEON-2	MAGENTA
ROBEN	THE REPLICANT
TANDEM-1	KUNG LILIGAYA KA
TANDEM-2	ALIPIN NG TUKSO
TIMES	THE CROW / FAMILY MAN
QUEZON CITY	
ACT-1	SENSUAL ISLAND
ACT-2	KAYA KO PERO MASAKIT
ACT-3	CLOSED
ACT-4	CLOSED
CORONET-2	BUHAY KAMAO
QUEZON-1	BUHAY KAMAO
REMAR	BUHAY KAMAO
REMAR-2	MAGENTA
CUBAO	
OCEAN SUPERAMA	BABAENG PUTIK
OCEAN CINEMA-A	PANABLA
OCEAN CINEMA-B	CRISELDA
MANDALUYONG CITY	
SHANGRI-LA PLAZA MALL	635-20-79 / 633-78-51 TO 70
CINEMA-1	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-2	FRENCH FILM FESTIVAL
CAINTA RIZAL	
STA. LUCIA EAST	(681-54091 TO 19)
CINEMA-1	BUHAY KAMAO
CINEMA-2	LABRADOR
CINEMA-3	TRAFFIC
CINEMA-4 (DOLBY DIGITAL)	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-5 (DTS)	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-6	THE MUMMY RETURNS
CINEMA-7	BUHAY KAMAO
CINEMA-8	ANTS IN THE PANTS
CINEMA-9 (DTS)	SPOT
CINEMA-10 (DOLBY DIGITAL)	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-11 (SDDS)	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-12	REPLICANT
CINEMA-14	GET OVER IT
CINEMA-15	HEAD OVER HEELS
LORES	
CINEMA-2	CLOSED
CINEMA-3	CLOSED
POWER PLANT CINEMA	
CINEMA-1	GET OVER IT
CINEMA-2	SPOT
CINEMA-3	PEARL HARBOR
CINEMA-4	HEAD OVER HEELS
CINEMA-5	THE MUMMY RETURNS
CINEMA-6	PEARL HARBOR
UNIWIDE METROMALL	
(LAS PINAS)	
CINEMA-1	MS. CONGENIALITY
CINEMA-2	ANG GUSTO KO SA LALAKE
CINEMA-4	KATAWAN
UNIWIDE COASTAL MALL	
(PARANAQUE)	
CINEMA-1	MS. CONGENIALITY
CINEMA-2	SA IYONG MGA HAPLOS
CINEMA-4	BUHAY NA MANIKIN

Malate born again tonight

TONIGHT, Malate again proves why it is the premiere entertainment place in Metro Manila as it launches "Project M: The Malate Renaissance."

A project of the Department of Tourism and the City of Manila in cooperation with the Restaurant Owners Association of Malate (ROAM), Project M, or the Malate Tour Circuit Redevelopment Program, oversees the revival of Malate as the top destination spot for tourists and locals who crave for world-class cuisine and entertainment.

Tonight's celebrations will kick off at the newly restored Rajah Sulayman Park in front of the Malate Church. Gracing the event will be Tourism Secretary Richard Gordon, Manila Mayor Lito Atienza and the officials of ROAM.

After the formal festivities, everybody's invited to join an explosive street party on Nakpil Street corner Orosa Street, featuring the Indian band Singh India courtesy of Raj Modern Indian Restaurant.

Also featured is a stand-up comedy act from Politixx.

The Red Crab Seafood & Steaks, the LJC Restaurant Group and Portico will give away gift certificates to game winners.

Also slated to perform in the street party is the coolest band in town, Icebox, fresh from their performances in the Metropop 2001 and the Independence Day celebrations.

Malate bars and restaurants will offer big discounts to visitors.

Tonight's celebration is made possible by Bacardi Breezer and will be covered by Channel [V], with the cooperation of all the Malate establishments, including Republic of Malate, Golden Triangle Thai Restaurant, Firma, Patio Guernica and O-Two.

Project M is spearheaded by Ma. Victoria Jasmin of DOT-NCR and Tina Garcia, whose TeeJee Concepts conceptualized the street party and is in charge of the photo and video coverage of the event.

For inquiries, call Garcia at (0918) 5304535.

LOUIE'S CINEMA

LUCAS FILM THX

It Will Change the Way You Hear and See Movies Forever

NOW SHOWING

PEARL HARBOR
(PG-13 R.T. 3:00)
Action/ Adventure/ Drama/ Romance

Starring:
Ben Affleck
Josh Harnett
Kate Beckinsale
Cuba Gooding Jr.
Alec Baldwin
William Lee Scott
Jon Voight

June 15 - Friday
3:45 PM - Pearl Harbor
7:15 PM - Pearl Harbor
10:45 PM - Pearl Harbor

GET A COPY of the 4th issue of Pelikula: A Journal of Philippine Cinema featuring WOMEN IN CHINA

LRP Foundation Inc.
Louie's THX Cinema Bldg., Mile Long Copmpound Amorsolo st., Makati City- Tel. no. 751-20-10
FAX no. 892-3349 Visit us at
www.loui's THX.com.ph

Hear the Difference. Feel the Excitement

ENTERTAINMENT

LOUIE C. CAMINO, Editor

Jewelry and the willingness to love

KRIS AND TELL

Kris Aquino

W MAGAZINE had this interesting feature on Cornell professor **Richard Klein** and his new book "Jewelry Talks." In the article he's quoted as saying, "You can tell a lot about a woman's availability by her jewelry."

He expounds: "I find it absolutely astonishing that a woman could be wearing a heart around her neck without understanding that it's saying something about her willingness to love, and the larger the heart, the more willing she is."

Butterflies are very "inviting" and a choker indicates a penchant for "sexual submissiveness," he says. He even has an opinion about earrings: "Women wear them as a symbol of what they want to have whispered in their ear."

Although his views seem a bit far-fetched, I do recall that for the longest time **Elizabeth Hurley** wore a necklace with a small diamond cross. She did split up with **Hugh Grant** after nearly 14 years of togetherness, and you have to remember that she did carry her own "relationship cross" after Hugh's very public arrest following his liaison with the prostitute **Divine Brown** on Sunset Boulevard.

I read in "In style" magazine that **Julia Roberts** was a fan of Me and Ro jewelry and in fact wore several of the pieces in "The Mexican." The Wish shop at the Makati Shangri-La shopping arcade carries this line, and I've been wearing the necklaces, which are adorned with a tiny silver heart, a larger Sanskrit-inscribed silver heart, and a "love nugget."

Equanimity

On my wrist I've been wearing a Me and Ro silver bangle bracelet which has Sanskrit inscribed on the front and the English translation engraved on the back. The four words on the bracelet, as well as the silver ring I've been wearing, are "Love, Compassion, Joy, Equanimity."

To be perfectly honest, I had to check in my Encarta dictionary what "equanimity" meant. I found out that it means "evenness of temper even under stress." Even if it's just psychological, wearing these "positively" inscribed pieces of jewelry has done a lot to give me a measure of peace of mind.

Whenever my tapings run very long and there are unavoidable delays, I turn the ring and have the word "equanimity" facing me. My good mood and energy seem to hod up even until 6 a.m.

More often than not it's the "Love" inscription that I have facing toward me. So far, no concrete result yet. I'll be sure to tell, though, when "love" starts to flourish in my romantic life, then all of you who are in the same boat as I can make a beeline for Wish.

Hope springs eternal.

Undone

Zsa Zsa Padilla gave me a replacement rose quartz bracelet. This gemstone is believed to be capable of bringing its wearer much love. Our friend Angeli told her that my rose quartz wouldn't be effective because it wasn't of "good quality." Zsa Zsa, being a concerned friend, promptly upgraded my bracelet.

My rose quartz bracelet now has 14 beautifully cut stones held together in a fashionable leather bracelet. Again, I'll tell you via this column if Zsa Zsa's gift is effective

Pops Fernandez was wearing a rose quartz bracelet identical to mine but she stopped wearing hers because my son Josh pulled at it while we were taping in Tagay-tay and the invisible binding came undone and all the beads and crystals were scattered everywhere. She had another, prettier rose quartz bracelet given to her by an aunt which also perished because of Josh's naughty fingers. Pops still needs to have her bracelets restrung.

Magic and meaning

Lastly, I got this book from Page One at Rockwell just last night, and it's the most insightful compilation of theories regarding "Experiencing the Magic, Mystery, and Meaning of Successful Relationships." Over 30 marriage and family experts collaborated to produce the book "Why do Fools Fall in Love," which was edited by **Janice Levine** and **Howard Markman.**

The book is divided into four parts—Magic, Meaning, Marriage and Mastery. I devoured the chapters under Magic and

JEWELRY/ A27

A POWERFUL BLOCKBUSTER EVENT FILM
2ND WEEK NOW MAKING BOX- OFFICE HISTORY!
MTRCB RATING ▶ PG 13 Children below 13 years old will only be allowed if accompanied by a parent or adult.

BEN AFFLECK
JERRY BRUCKHEIMER PRODUCTION
A MICHAEL BAY FILM
PEARL HARBOR
SOUNDTRACK FEATURES THE NEW SINGLE "THERE YOU'LL BE" BY FAITH HILL
Distributed by BUENA VISTA INTERNATIONAL thru COLUMBIA PICTURES

now showing SNIFFING his way into your HEARTS
MTRCB RATING ▶ GP ALL AGES ADMITTED

"FEROCIOUS FUN! THE BEST FAMILY FILM OF THE SEASON!"
THE SMART ONE ISN'T WEARING ANY PANTS.
Spot
WARNER BROS. PICTURES PRESENTS
IN ASSOCIATION WITH VILLAGE ROADSHOW PICTURES
AND NPV ENTERTAINMENT
A ROBERT SIMONDS PRODUCTION DAVID ARQUETTE
"SPOT" MICHAEL CLARKE DUNCAN
LESLIE BIBB JOE VITERELLI ANGUS T. JONES
WITH ANTHONY ANDERSON AND PAUL SORVINO
MUSIC BY JOHN DEBNEY
www.see-spot-run.com
CO-PRODUCERS JOHN PETER KOUSAKIS IRA SHUMAN
EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS MICHAEL ALEXANDER MILLER AND BRUCE BERMAN
STORY BY ANDREW DEANE & MICHAEL ALEXANDER MILLER
AND GEORGE GALLO SCREENPLAY BY GEORGE GALLO
AND GREGORY POIRIER AND DANNY BARON & CHRIS FABER
ADAPTATION BY STUART GIBBS & CRAIG TITLEY
PRODUCED BY ROBERT SIMONDS, TRACEY TRENCH ANDREW DEANE
DIRECTED BY JOHN WHITESELL
89.9 MAGIC

OPENS JUNE 20!

Have a nice end of the world.
EVOLUTION
www.countingdown.com/evolution
DreamWorks Pictures

Hip, MiB-style alien comedy fun, hi-tech special fx in EVOLUTION

In the tradition of MEN IN BLACK comes another funny, hip and special-effects-packed sci-fi comedy misadventure -- Columbia Pictures' EVOLUTION.

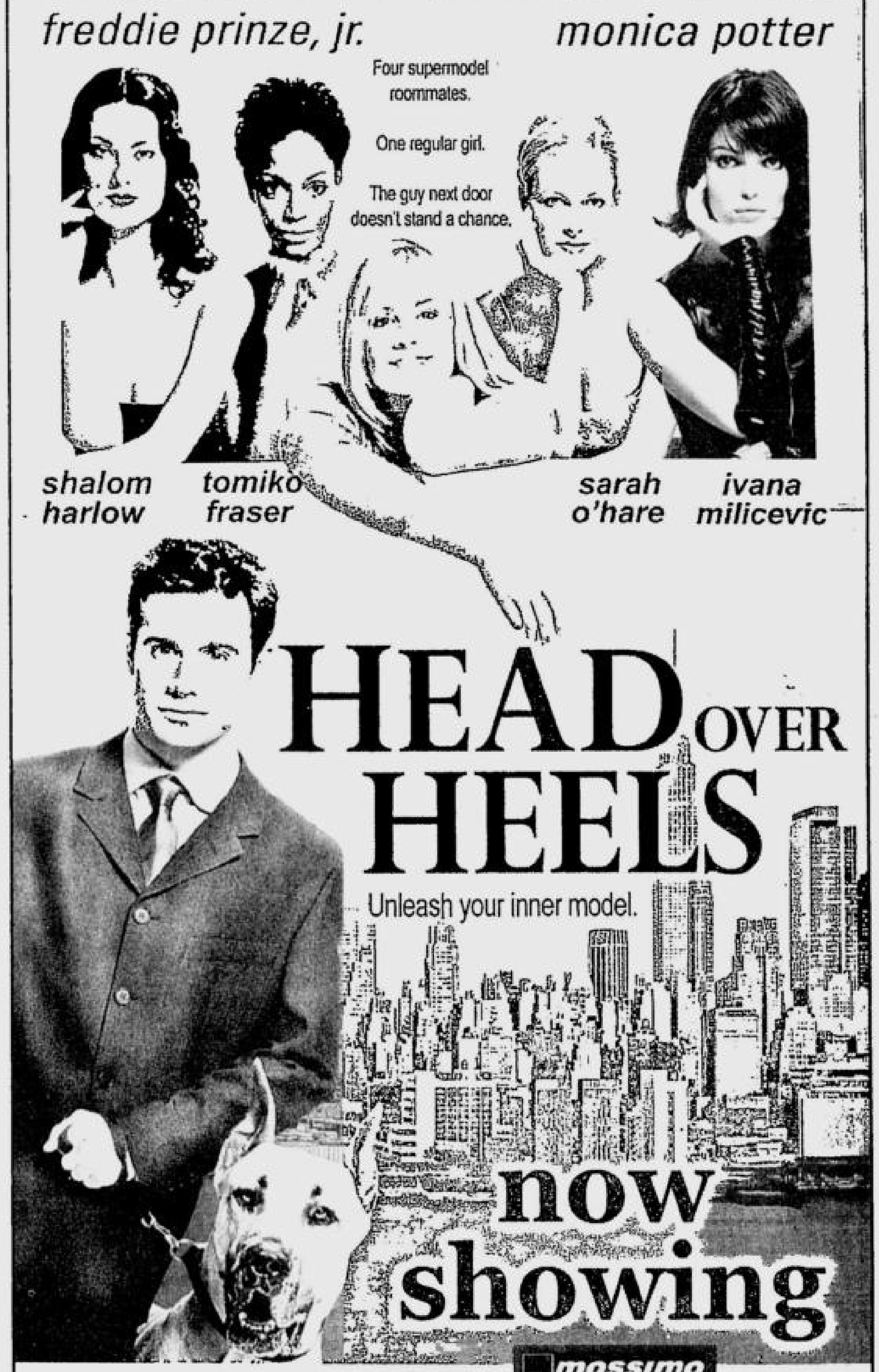
When a meteor crashes Earth carrying alien life forms, all hell wackily breaks loose.

David Duchovny (FBI Agent Mulder in X-FILES), Orlando Jones (BEDAZZLED), Seann William Scott (AMERICAN PIE) and two-time Oscar® nominee Julianne Moore (HANNIBAL) star as the only people standing between the aliens and world domination.

A team of visual effects wizards, led by Phil Tippett, worked with director Ivan Reitman (GHOSTBUSTERS) to design an ever-evolving assortment of alien creatures, which were then digitally rendered. Tippett created the dinosaurs in JURASSIC PARK and the giant alien insects in STARSHIP TROOPERS.

AYALA CENTER GLORIETTA · GREENBELT
GREENBELT TELECOM CENTER
Globe HANDYPHONE
2nd FLOOR GREENBELT MALL
GET THE LATEST GLOBE HANDYPHONE DEALS
& PARTY!!!
TONIGHT (JUNE 15 - FRI.) - ENJOY!
ON THE SPOT PROCESSING FOR LINE SUBSCRIPTION
LOW PRICES ON CELLPHONES & ACCESSORIES
PARTY W/ THE TOP BANDS:
Next Level, Silk & Passage
AND A LOT MORE EXCITING OFFERS!

MTRCB RATING ▶ PG-13 Children below 13 yrs. old will only be allowed if accompanied by a parent or adult.


freddie prinze, jr.
monica potter
Four supermodel roommates.
One regular girl.
The guy next door doesn't stand a chance.
shalom harlow
tomiko fraser
sarah o'hare
ivana milicevic
HEAD OVER HEELS
Unleash your inner model.
now showing
mossimo

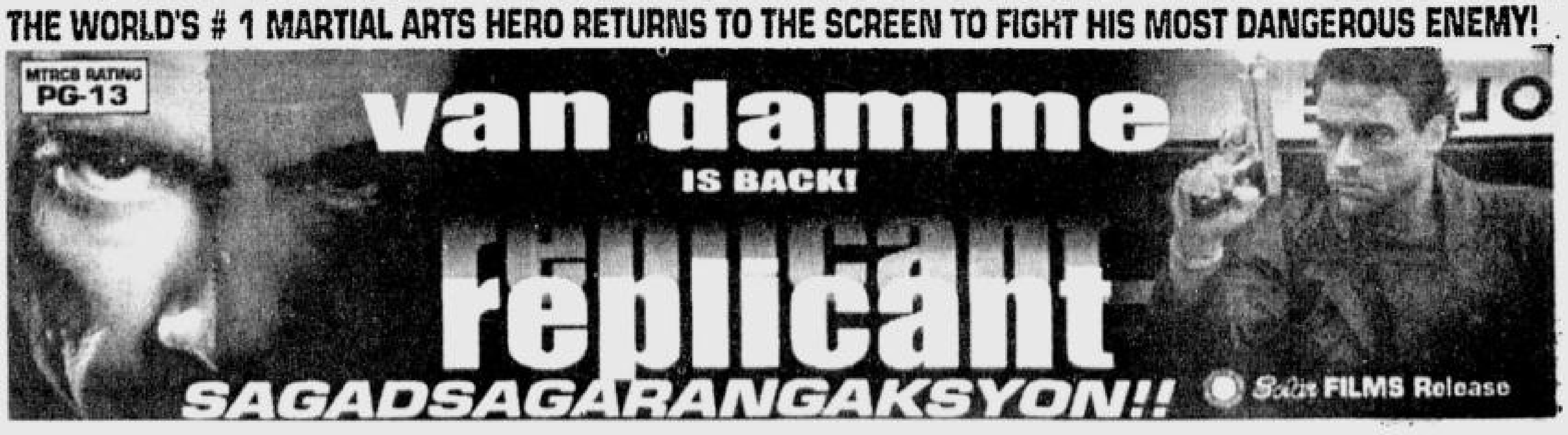
united international pictures
Piattos
VIVA INTERNATIONAL PICTURES A VIVA ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

POWER PLANT
CINEMA
Rockwell Center, Makati City ☎ Tel. No: 8981440-41 DOLBY DIGITAL SURROUND-EX

GET OVER IT - P 13 11:10, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:10, 9:10, 11:10	SPOT - G 11:05, 1:10, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:30	PEARL HARBOR - P 13 11:40, 3:10, 6:40, 10:10
HEAD OVER HEELS - P 13 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00	MUMMY RETURNS - P 13 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00	PEARL HARBOR - P 13 11:00, 2:30, 6:00, 9:30

MATINEE P80.00 - FREE SEATING - SCREENINGS BEFORE 5 PM - MON. TO FRI.

4TH HARD HITTING ACTION HIT DAY!
THE WORLD'S # 1 MARTIAL ARTS HERO RETURNS TO THE SCREEN TO FIGHT HIS MOST DANGEROUS ENEMY!


MTRCB RATING PG-13
van damme
IS BACK!
replicant
SAGADSAGARANGAKSYON!!
Solar FILMS Release

TOTAL LOWER COST

Celebrate Father's Day

June 17, 2001

SM BONUS
Valencia Orange
#88/6's
TLC PRICE
P70.00/pack
Reg. Price 98.00/pack

SM BONUS
Beef Short Ribs
TLC PRICE
P109.00/kg.
Reg. Price 130.00/kg.

MONTEREY
Beef Shank
Crosscut
TLC PRICE
P110.00/kg.
Reg. Price 133.00/kg.

CDO
Tender Meaty Hotdog
- Regular
1 kg.
TLC PRICE
P105.00
Reg. Price 117.50

MA LING
Cheesedog
500 g.
2's
TLC PRICE
P139.00
Reg. Price 150.00

NESTLE
Fruit Yogurt
- Fruit Basket
125 g.
TLC PRICE
P18.00
Reg. Price 19.00

GOLDEN
French Fries
500 g.
TLC PRICE
P43.00
Reg. Price 48.00

ARMSTRONG
Hamburger Patties
- Chorizo
- Chicken Teriyaki
500 g
TLC PRICE
P59.00
Reg. Price 67.00

CENTURY
Tuna
- Afritada
- Mechado
- Caldereta
180 g.
TLC PRICE
P20.75
Reg. Price 21.25

PUREFOODS
Chinese Luncheon Meat
350 g
TLC PRICE
P33.75
Reg. Price 34.75

PHILIPS
Meat Loaf
200 g
TLC PRICE
P17.75
Reg. Price 18.25

ARGENTINA
Corned Beef
175 g.
TLC PRICE
P21.75
Reg. Price 22.25

CDO
Pork & Beans
165 g.
TLC PRICE
P9.95
Reg. Price 10.50

DEL MONTE
Tomato Sauce
115 g.
TLC PRICE
P9.75
Reg. Price 10.25

SAN REMO
Instant Curly Lasagna
- Large
250 g
TLC PRICE
P56.75
Reg. Price 59.75

KNORR
Chinese Soup
- Crab & Corn
60 g
TLC PRICE
P33.25
Reg. Price 34.25

PAYLESS
Instant Mami
- Beef
- Chicken
55 g.
TLC PRICE
P3.50
Reg. Price 3.65

MAGGI
Instant Spaghetti
90 g
TLC PRICE
P7.60
Reg. Price 7.95

LUCKY ME!
Instant Pancit Canton
- Regular
65 g
TLC PRICE
P4.50
Reg. Price 4.60

DEL MONTE
Fiesta Fruit Cocktail
850 g.
TLC PRICE
P46.25
Reg. Price 51.75

GARDENIA
California Raisins Loaf
400 g.
TLC PRICE
P31.00

ARGENTINA
Liver Spread
85 g
TLC PRICE
P8.75
Reg. Price 9.75

NESCAFE
Classic Coffee
Refill
25 g.
TLC PRICE
P12.25
Reg. Price 12.50

KRAFT
Sandwich Spread
470 mL.
TLC PRICE
P56.25
Reg. Price 59.25

PEDIASURE
Complete Balanced
Nutritional Milk Powder
400 g.
TLC PRICE
P254.50
Reg. Price 262.50

OMEGA PLUS
High Calcium
Milk Powder
450 g.
TLC PRICE
P142.75
Reg. Price 149.75

NIDO
Full Cream Milk Powder
450 g.
TLC PRICE
P95.25
Reg. Price 96.75

ALASKA
Evaporated
Filled Milk
370 mL.
TLC PRICE
P21.25
Reg. Price 22.00

DYNAMITE
Filled Mint Candies
- Chocolate
- Melon
50's
TLC PRICE
P19.50
Reg. Price 21.50

GOYA
Boom Boom Lollipops
- Chocolate
- Assorted
25's
TLC PRICE
P18.50
Reg. Price 19.95

YUPI
Mini Burger
Gummi Candies
120 g.
TLC PRICE
P33.50
Reg. Price 34.95

PRINGLES
Potato Chips
- Hot & Spicy
184 g.
TLC PRICE
P52.50
Reg. Price 63.50

PLANTERS
Cheez Mania
- Cheez Curls
2.5 kg (5.5 oz.)
TLC PRICE
P44.25
Reg. Price 46.25

DANONE
High-Calcium Crackers
- Original
180 g.
TLC PRICE
P68.00
Reg. Price 72.50

ANGEL BITES
Mallow Pies
- Strawberry
- Orange
- Mocha
- Vanilla
14 g./6's
TLC PRICE
P13.50
Reg. Price 14.50

SELECTA
Moo Chocolate
Milk Drink
250 mL.
TLC PRICE
P11.00
Reg. Price 11.50

FRUIT-C
Fruit Juice Drink
- Orange
- Apple
200 mL.
TLC PRICE
P3.75
Reg. Price 3.95

TANG
Powdered Juice Drink
- Orange
Refill
750 g.
TLC PRICE
P49.75
Reg. Price 53.50

SUMMIT
Natural Drinking Water
500 mL.
TLC PRICE
P7.75
Reg. Price 8.50

CALI
Sparkling
Pineapple Drink
In Can
330 mL.
TLC PRICE
P12.50
Reg. Price 13.50

SAFEGUARD
Body Wash
200 mL.
TLC PRICE
P75.00
Reg. Price 79.75

DENTAL-B
Basic Adult Toothbrush
- Soft
- Medium
TLC PRICE
P19.00
Reg. Price 21.75

JOHNSON'S
Pure Essentials
Shine-Free Face
Powder SPF 15
- White
- Light
- Natural
Refill
TLC PRICE
P60.00
Reg. Price 64.75

EPIDERM-A
Whitening Lotion
- With Papaya Extract
175 mL.
TLC PRICE
P61.00
Reg. Price 68.75

WELLAFORM
New Wave Gel
- Firm Hold
50 g.
TLC PRICE
P42.75
Reg. Price 48.75

SPLASH
Kolours Shampoo-In
Hair Color
- All Variants
TLC PRICE
P116.75
Reg. Price 130.75

LOVESOME
Disposable Diapers
XL/30's
TLC PRICE
P319.50
Reg. Price 342.50

KITCHEN MAGIC
Wax Paper Sampler
30 cm x 10 m.
TLC PRICE
P32.75
Reg. Price 36.75

TLC PLUS

Father's Day

PACKAGE

Mechanical Tool Set
1 x 1 Portable Wet/ Dry Vacuum

GET A CHANCE TO WIN A FATHER'S DAY PACKAGE OR ONE OF 5 CHEF KING COOKWARE!

Every P200.00 purchase of TLC items at any SM Supermarket, SaveMore Supermarket and SuperSale Club branch entitles the customer to one (1) raffle coupon.

SEE POSTERS FOR DETAILS

JOY
Ultra Dishwashing Liquid
- Lemon
Refill
170 mL.
TLC PRICE
P24.50
Reg. Price 26.75

PRONTO
Liquid Floor Wax
- Natural
1 Liter
TLC PRICE
P156.75
Reg. Price 164.75

CARPETWORLD
Carpet Series
424.18 cm x 635 cm
(167" x 250")
TLC PRICE
P1,497.50

SUPERMARKET • SUPERMARKET •

OFFER GOOD: JUNE 15 TO 28, 2001

SAVE MORE
SUPERMARKET

SuperSaleClub

PER DTI-NCR PERMIT NO. 0823 SERIES OF 2001

AYALA CENTER • SM NORTH EDSA • SM CENTERPOINT • SM MEGAMALL • SM SOUTHMALL • SM BACOOR • SM FAIRVIEW • SM MANILA • SM SAN FERNANDO • SUPERSALE CLUB • SAVE MORE MARIKINA

ELECTRI WORLD
Pentium III 800 Mhz
IBM desktop at value price!
IBM 2169- C1A.2
Intel Pentium III 800 Mhz
64MB system memory
10GB Hard Drive
10/100 LANCARD
56K Modem
52X CD ROM
Speaker
14"IBM color monitor
Lotus Smartsuite
Windows 98 2nd edition
Cash price P44,995
24 mos installment using Diner's card
P2,783/mo*
For more inquiries, please call:8931765

FRIDAY,
JUNE 15, 2001

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER B1

BUSINESS

RAUL O. MARCELO, Editor ▣ CORRIE S. NARISMA, Assistant Editor

Equitable PCI
BANK
MEMBER PDIC

Peso weakness delays BSP rate cut

By CLARISSA S. BATINO

THE BANGKO Sentral ng Pilipinas yesterday left its overnight interest rates unchanged following the renewed volatility of the peso and anticipation of a spike in inflation this month.

After its weekly policy-making Monetary Board meeting, it decided to keep its overnight borrowing rate at 9 percent and lending rate at 11.25 percent.

Bangko Sentral Deputy Governor Armando Suratos yesterday said the consensus among local monetary officials was to wait for any US Federal Reserve action on offshore interest rates by the end of the month before making any adjustment in local rates.

The bank last cut its key rates by half a percentage point on May 18. The government began easing rates from December and has now cut rates by six percentage points, after raising the rates by four points in October to arrest the peso's plunge.

At that time, the peso was reacting to a brewing political crisis as then President Estrada was accused of amassing illegal wealth.

Bangko Sentral Governor Rafael Buenaventura said on Wednesday the bank was unlikely to touch its key overnight rates when it holds its weekly policy meeting this week, as the peso's current weakness was only "temporary," partly due to the ongoing kidnap crisis in the south of the country.

Buenaventura has also previously said the central bank would like to wait for the US Federal Reserve meeting on June 26-27 before deciding whether to cut interest rates.

Suratos said monetary authorities believed that the exchange rate fluctuations since Monday were only temporary. The peso yesterday closed at 51.36 to $1 from 51.31 last Wednesday.

Traders said the local currency was reacting to the unresolved peace and order situation caused by the Abu Sayyaf kidnapping.

The Muslim bandit group's claim last Tuesday that it had beheaded one of the three American hostages was making the market jittery, said a trader from a local bank.

"We hope the peso would soon improve particularly since the government has been exerting all efforts to resolve the hostage crisis," Suratos added.

In a statement, the central bank also said it had to watch how inflation would be affected by the peso's weakness as well as by reports that oil companies were planning to raise oil prices by another 90 centavos per liter in the next two weeks.

"The board said that while inflation in the first five months had been stable, certain upside risk factors remain. The board believes the more prudent stance would be to watch closely the movement of factors that bear on inflation, particularly the trend in energy prices," the Bangko Sentral said.

The consensus in the market is that the US Fed would cut interest rates by another quarter of a percentage point although Suratos said a half-percentage point was still possible.

The Bangko Sentral earlier said it was open to cutting overnight rates by as much as 0.75 percentage point within the year if inflation would slow down in the coming months. The May inflation stood at a manageable 6.5 percent.

But some analysts said inflation could still go up in June following increased spending for the May elections as well as additional expenses for the resumption of classes this month.

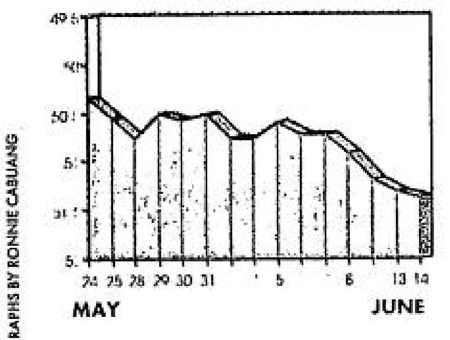
The 40- to 50-centavo-per-liter oil price increase last month would only be reflected in consumer prices starting July, according to an analyst from a foreign bank.

Ideally, a low interest rates regime helps spur growth as it gives businesses and individuals access to cheaper funds. However, loan growth has stayed anemic since last year. *With a report from Reuters*

INDICATORS

CURRENCIES

PESO - DOLLAR



GRAPHS BY RONNIE CABUANG

Peso-Dollar Rate

P 51.360= $1

As of 5 p.m.,
June 14, 2001

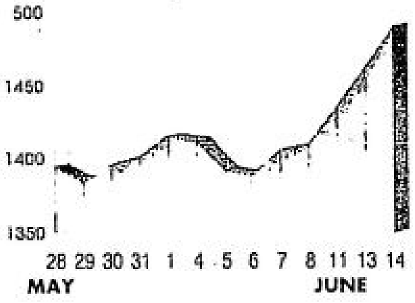
¥ 121.94 = $1

The US dollar was trading at 121.94 as of 5 p.m., June 14, 2001

GOLD:$271.80/272.30
per ounce Hong Kong,
June 14, 2001

STOCK MARKET

PSE Composite Index



(See stock market report on Page B7)

Foreign funds lift stocks

STOCKS ended higher yesterday, shrugging off early weakness, as investors targeted selected heavyweight blue chips, traders said.

The ongoing kidnapping crisis in the south of the country has been discarded for now in the absence of any fresh significant developments, traders said.

"We saw some selected picking of blue chips, with some foreign funds buying into SM Prime Holdings and last-minute interest in Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co.," United Coconut Planters Bank Trust fund manager Vanessa Lim said.

Traders said they were encouraged by the market's ability to bounce back from early weakness.

"People are buying into weakness which we haven't seen for awhile," Diversified Securities executive vice president Jose Garcia said.

Despite yesterday's uptick, traders said further gains were likely to be quickly capped by more profit taking and the host of domestic negatives hanging over the market.

Lim said she sees 1,490 points as firm resistance for the main index in the near term. *Reuters*

ePLDT launches Cebu project

PHILIPPINE Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT) has launched its digital subscriber line (DSL) and Web-hosting services in Cebu in a bid to make it the next information technology (IT) hub of the country.

The DSL service will deliver high-speed broadband access to the Internet, multimedia rich content and corporate networks over a single line.

"It combines voice, video and data so it is more cost-effective than developing separate technologies like satellite-only or wireless-only," ePLDT managing director Ariel Roda said. ePLDT is the IT investment arm of PLDT.

Satellite and wireless technology both provide high-speed data connection, but both can also be subject to weather interference. The latter also provides very limited coverage.

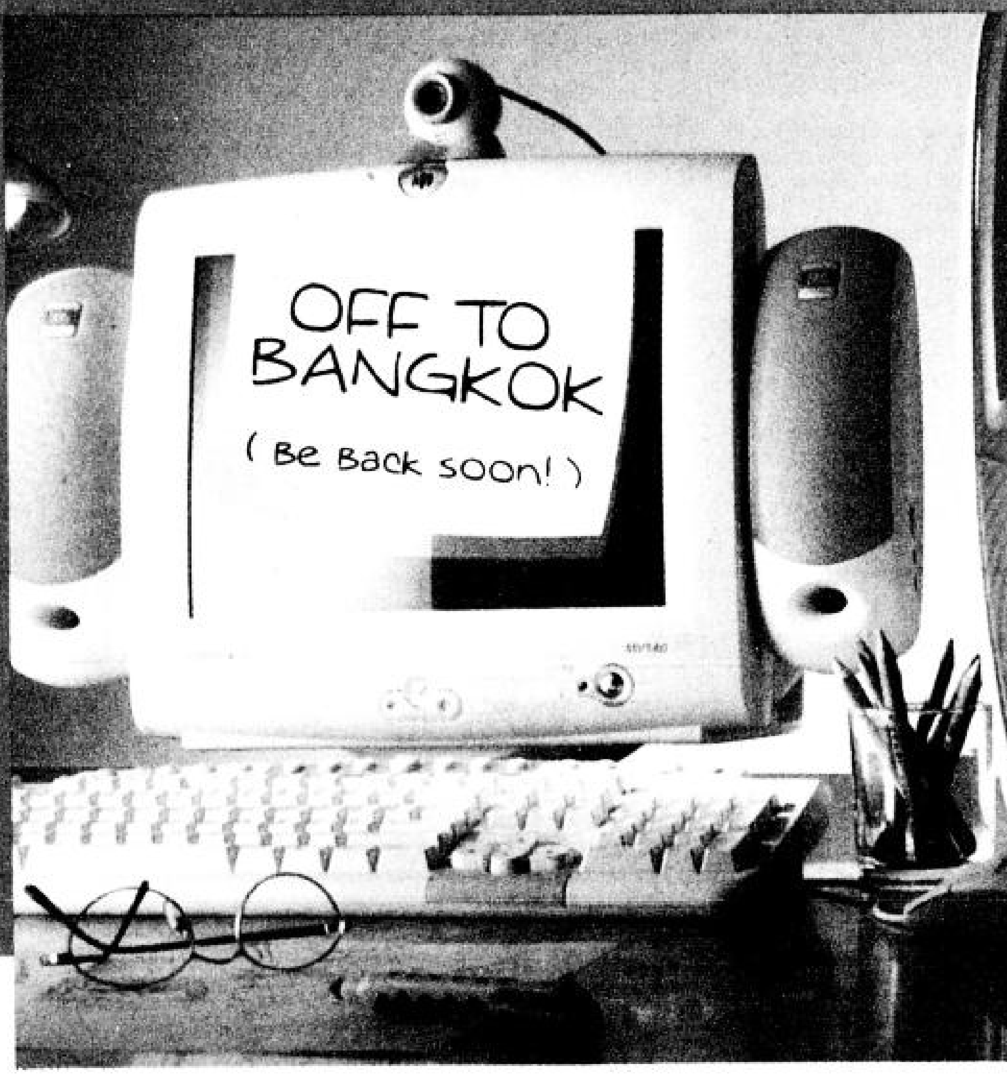
DSL technology, on the other hand, provides high-speed connection and the "always on" advantage.

Web hosting will also be made available to companies that want to rent space in ePLDT's Web servers. This will provide them with the services required to create, manage and maintain a business website.

"(As of now), ePLDT has no specific partners, but it is still in talks with a number of investors," Roda said.

The issue of making an initial public offering (IPO) came up, but Roda said "it is still too early to say" when they would push through with this. However, he said "management is still sitting down with potential investors." *Abigail L. Ho*

Compaq | business

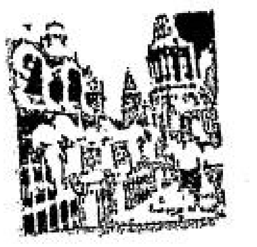


GET A
PRESARIO
AND

GO PLACES*
(FOR FREE).**

*With the Compaq Presario, you'll get a chance to visit exotic places in Bangkok... and not just in the Worldwide Web. When you buy a Compaq Presario Desktop or Laptop from June 15 to July 31, 2001, you can join our raffle for a chance to win a trip for two to Bangkok, plus 3 days, 2 nights hotel accommodations. Enjoy the Presario's unmatched multimedia features and cool interchangeable MyAccent color panels, and maybe even enjoy a great free vacation. We just hope that you don't miss your new Presario too much while you're gone.

**Get a chance to win a trip for 2 to Bangkok, plus hotel accommodations.



Get a raffle coupon for every purchase of a Compaq Presario Laptop or Desktop from June 15 to July 31, 2001. The trip for 2 to Bangkok is not convertible to cash. Prize and travel taxes and the processing of travel documents will be shouldered by the winner. See leaflets for other details.

intel inside pentium®!!!

For more information, please call **848-1881** or **1-800-1-651-1111** (outside Metro Manila), or e-mail us at callme@compaq.com.ph. Visit us at www.compaq.com.ph.

COMPAQ
Inspiration Technology

Compaq PCs use genuine Microsoft® Windows®
www.microsoft.com/piracy/howtotell

PRESARIO RESELLERS: ELECTROWORLD ALABANG BRANCH Tel. No.8509682 • BINONDO BRANCH Tel Nos. 2425490/2413572/2413557 • SM CITY BRANCH Tel. Nos. 9279525/9240014 • SM CITY FAIRVIEW Tel Nos. 4186064/4186061 • SOUTHMALL BRANCH Tel. Nos. 8000404/8000408 • NEW FARMERS PLAZA Tel. Nos. 9111494/9111099 • SM CITY MANILA Tel. Nos. 5247980/5248310 • SM MEGEMALL BRANCH Tel. Nos. 6331624-25/6329535 • WM MAKATI BRANCH Tel Nos. 8929119/8440598 • VISAYAS MINDANAO HEAD OFFICE Tel. Nos (032) 3452787/3452788 • ABENSON QUAD I Tel. No.8940951 • ABENSON WM Q C BRANCH Tel. No. 4150729 • SOGO HOME & OFFICE BRANCH Tel. Nos.8503534-39 • ABENSON STA LUCIA EAST BRANCH Tel. No. 6815304 • AYALA CENTER MAKATI Tel. Nos. 8132776/8123860/8123868 • WALTER MART LAGUNA BRANCH Tel. No. (049) 5491241 • WALTER MART CAVITE BRANCH Tel. No. (046) 4161327 • DAVAO CITY BRANCH Tel. Nos. (082) 2278201/(082)2210584 • CEBU CITY BRANCH Tel. Nos. (032) 2320751/2321659 • VISAYAS MINDANAO HEAD OFFICE Tel Nos. (032) 3452787/3452786 • CAGAYAN DE ORO BRANCH Tel No. (088) 8562750 • AYALA CENTER CEBU CITY Tel Nos. (032) 2325960/65 • OCTAGON COMPUTER CENTER CITY (GALLERIA) Tel No.6380784 • DISCOVERY COMPUTER SUPERSTORE (SM SOUTHMALL) Tel. No. 8015135 • COLUMBIA COMPUTER SUPERSTORE (SM MEGAMALL) Tel. Nos. 6339307-10 • ACCENT MICRO SM SOUTHMALL Tel Nos. 8066497/8066704 • SM MEGAMALL Tel. Nos. 6342417/6341294 • SM BACOOR Tel. No. (046) 4175388 • SM CEBU Tel. No. (032) 232461 • SM NORTH EDSA Tel. No. 9277330 • PC LIVE SM MEGAMALL Tel. Nos. 6331722/6342438 • SILICON VALLEY SM MEGAMALL Tel. Nos. 6331723/24 • SM BACOOR Tel. No. (046) 4177881 • SM MANILA Tel. No. 5253218 • SM PAMPANGA Tel. No. (045) 9612225 • SM CEBU Tel. No. (032) 2340219 • SM SOUTHMALL Tel. Nos. 8000595/8009293 • SM NORTH EDSA Tel. No. 9276698 • SM STA LUCIA Tel. No. 6817331 • HARRIZON PLAZA Tel. No. 5258827 • PARK SQUARE 1 Tel. Nos. 7527961/62 • ALABANG TOWN CENTER Tel No. 8079372 • COLUMBIA COMPUTER SUPERSTORE (SM MANILA) Tel. No. 524-1274 • (SM NORTH EDSA) Tel. No. 926-9141 • (PARKSQUARE) Tel. No. 867-1700 • (FESTIVAL MALL) Tel. No. 850-3652 • CHALLENGER COMPUTER SUPERSTORE Tel. No. 850-3431

©2000 Compaq Computer Corporation. COMPAQ and the Compaq logo Registered in U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Inspiration Technology is a trademark of Compaq Information Technologies Group, L.P. in the U.S. and other countries. Intel, the Intel Inside logo and Pentium are registered trademarks and SpeedStep is a trademark of Intel Corporation. Microsoft and Windows are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation. Other products mentioned herein may be trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies. Compaq is not liable for editorial, pictorial, or typographical errors in this advertisement.
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1810 Series of 2001.

Euro-Med to close food repackaging unit

By Doris C. Dumlao

LOCAL pharmaceutical giant Euro-Med Laboratories Philippines Inc. yesterday bared plans to shut down its food repackaging business in Las Piñas in line with the company's belt-tightening program.

The closure of the Peak Foods, a division of Euro-Med, is also in line with the company's strategy to focus on its core business of manufacturing pharmaceutical products.

The Euro-Med is the country's biggest manufacturer and exporter of intravenous fluids, accounting for at least 80 percent of the market. It is planning to diversify into the production of drugs and is now awaiting the approval of the plan by the Bureau of Food and Drugs.

Euro-Med plans to produce drugs and other pharmaceutical products to maximize the use of the equipment it acquired from Abbott Laboratories Philippines earlier. The company also aims to embark on toll manufacturing of foreign drug brands for other firms.

The acquisition of Abbott Laboratories' intravenous fluid manufacturing business two years ago allowed Euro-Med to manufacture solutions in glass bottles instead of plastic containers. The purchase covered the formulation, technology, production and quality assurance equipment of Abbott Laboratories.

Peak Foods is primarily engaged in the repackaging of sugar and gelatin mix for the Liberty Brand. Euro-Med corporate secretary Ronnie Ragonton told the Philippine Stock Exchange yesterday that Peak Foods has contributed only 0.20 percent to the business' sales last year.

Last year, Euro-Med's sales revenue stood at P780 million, of which only around P1 million was contributed by Peak Foods.

"As a cost-cutting measure to improve the company's profitability, the management has decided to close the Las Piñas plant on or before June 30 this year," Ragonton said.

"The closure is not expected to affect the company's sales and should improve profitability," he added.

Euro-Med, which went public in 1998, was the third pharmaceutical firm to be listed on the local stock market. After its listing, it embarked on an expansion program to make it one of the biggest producers of intravenous fluid products in Asia. It manufactures pharmaceutical fluids such as dextrose, sterile water for injections, ophthalmic solutions and dialysis fluids.

The company is owned by the family of Emilio Yap, who also owns The Manila Bulletin and the Manila Hotel.

Banks claim BTr 'playing favorites'

SOME banks are questioning the Bureau of Treasury's alleged practice of "playing favorites" when negotiating for long-term borrowings from the private sector.

In a meeting between the bureau and government securities dealers on Wednesday, China Banking Corp. complained that some banks were able to corner billions worth of government bonds without the benefit of an auction, an INQUIRER source said.

"It is not transparent. Why are some banks being favored? Sometimes they (treasury bureau) issue more than what they originally said they would, so participants get burned," the source, a senior official of a universal bank, said.

In an interview, National Treasurer Sergio Edeza Jr. clarified that the issue of favoritism was raised, but the transactions being referred to happened before he assumed office mid-February.

The government, through auctions held by the treasury bureau, borrowed as much as P4 billion a week from the private sector through the issuance of two- and five-year bonds.

Soon after assuming his post, Edeza, who had announced his plan to resign next month, put a stop to the bond issues, saying the rates being quoted by the market were too high.

Edeza said the treasury bureau would investigate "whether indeed there was past favoritism because obviously the power to negotiate with any institution (for government borrowings) resides with the Bureau of Treasury." *Elena R. Torrijos*

Lapanday unit sees profit hitting $15M

LAPANDAY Foods Corp., the fresh fruits exporting arm of Lapanday Holdings Corp., aims to post $10 million to $15 million in profits this year despite a slowdown in world trade.

Lapanday Holdings chair and CEO Luis Lorenzo Jr. said the company was planning to achieve its earnings target by expanding product lines and penetrating new markets.

Lapanday Foods currently produces and exports fresh produce including cavendish bananas and pineapples.

"We have to continue with our product diversification strategy and to aggressively pursue opportunities to expand our market for fresh fruits, vegetables and seafood products," Lorenzo told the INQUIRER.

Lorenzo admitted that the company has to double its efforts to meet its financial targets. The persisting slowdown in world trade has reduced the company's earnings in January to May to about $2.5 million, from the $4 million made in the same period last year.

He said the company was planning to explore new markets for its fresh mangoes. Lapanday Foods made an initial shipment of 550 kilograms of Guimaras mangoes to Australia last month.

Lorenzo said more product and technology innovations would have to be used to prolong the shelf life of mangoes to encourage more Australian importers to buy the product.

"Australia maintains very stringent standards when it comes to its fresh produce imports. We have better chances of entering Iran and the Canadian markets, which could also be very large markets for our products," Lorenzo added.

Lapanday Foods became popular for its exports of fresh cavendish bananas to Japan and later, to South Korea, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, New Zealand and Middle East. *Christine A. Gaylican*

Your Office 'PenPal'

DONG-A MY-GEL

Writes consistent bright clean, non-fading lines without ink feathering or bleeding. A twin ball system to prevent ink from flowing backwards. Needlepoint tip advanced vibrant gel ink for smooth effortless writing. A choice of 0.5 and 0.7 tips. All enclosed in a translucent and sleek barrel for visible ink color and supply.

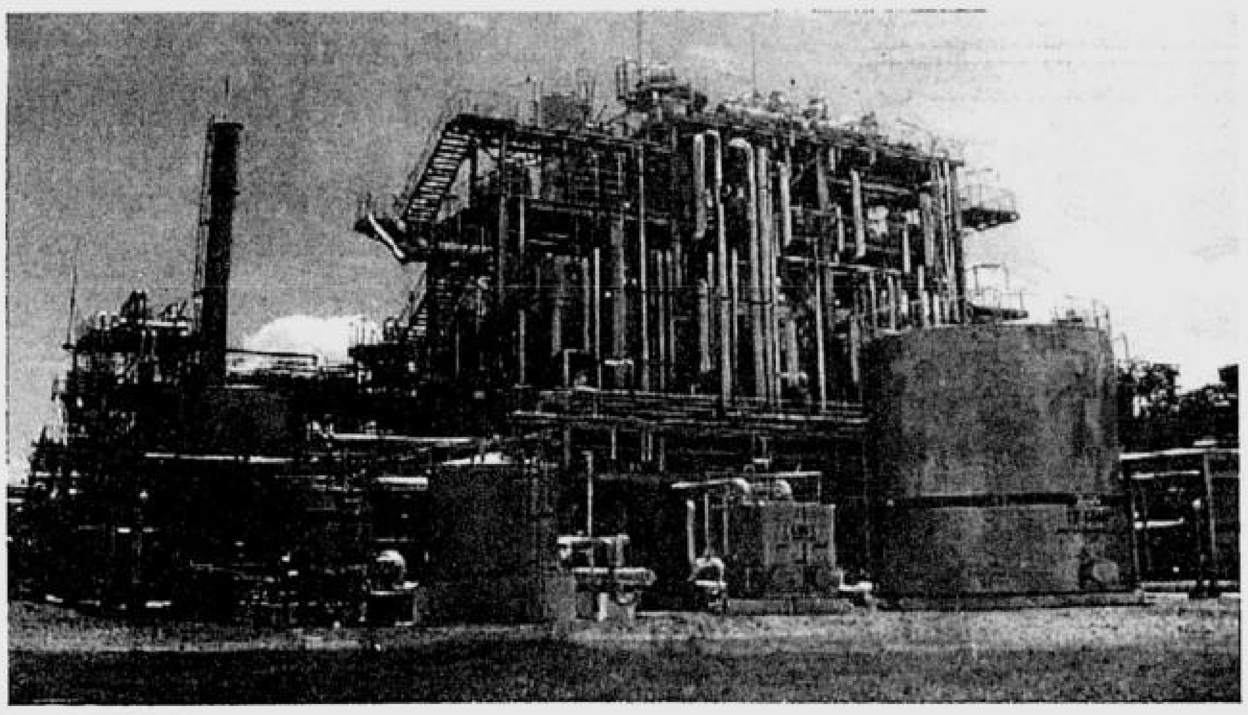
Available at very affordable price in a wide range of colors to add zest to the corporate setting.

The **My Gel**™ Pen from DONG-A... the name to trust in gel ink pens.

DONG-A
My-Gel
No other pen comes close.

Available at National Book Store SM Expressions Office 1 Superstore Diplomat Merriam Webster GOODWILL BOOKSTORES

My Gel™ is a registered trademark of DONG-A Pencil Co. Ltd. Other product & company names are trademarks of their respective owners. All trademarks are used under authorization ©2001



PILIPINAS KAO, INC. TO INAUGURATE P500-MILLION PLANT IN MINDANAO

On June 15, 2001, Pilipinas Kao, Inc. will mark a special day as it celebrates the Inauguration of its High Technology Fatty Alcohol Plant (HTFA) at the Jasaan Misamis Oriental Ecozone in Jasaan, Misamis Oriental, Northern Mindanao. Gracing the event as the guest of honor is Hon. Lilia B. De Lima, Director General of the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA).

The HTFA plant is a P500-million investment of Pilipinas Kao which begun construction in 2000. HTFA is a pioneering production process in the Philippines consisting of three major parts – Methyl Ester Distillation, Fixed Bed Catalyst Hydrogenation, and Single Cut Fractionation. At least 70% of the plant's production is for the export market.

Pilipinas Kao, a subsidiary of Kao Corporation of Japan, has been in operation since 1979, supplying high quality, biodegradable chemical products from coconut oil in both the local and international markets. Pilipinas Kao operates an oleochemical manufacturing complex in the Jasaan Misamis Oriental Ecozone where high value-added products such as high purity single cut fatty alcohols, refined glycerine, tertiary amines, and other surfactants are produced. These environment-friendly oleochemicals are used for various applications such as the base material for the manufacture of cosmetics, shampoos, toothpaste, pharmaceuticals, industrial and household detergents, emulsifiers, additives, and agricultural chemical products.

Over the years, Pilipinas Kao, with technology transfer from Kao Corporation, Japan, has been embarking on massive development programs not only in downstream development but also upstream under its vertical integration policy. Several plants and manufacturing infrastructures have been set-up in the complex, the latest of which is the High Technology Fatty Alcohol Plant.

Pilipinas Kao is registered with the Philippine Economic Zone Authority as an Ecozone Export Enterprise. As a PEZA-registered enterprise, Pilipinas Kao enjoys various incentives that could further attract more investments from Kao Corporation of Japan in the future.

These recent developments – the completion of its HTFA project and the company's registration with PEZA – mark two major milestones in Pilipinas Kao's thrust to reinforce profitable growth, to prompt more investments from the Kao Group, and to become a dominant player in the export market. These are big boosts not only for the company but also for the country's coconut and export industries.

ADVT.

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
MAYNILA, PILIPINAS

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Circular No.284

TO: ALL THRIFT BANKS WITH FX TRANSACTIONS
UNDER THE REGULAR AND/OR FCDU BOOKS

In view of the thrust to computerize and simplify banks' reports to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), thrift banks shall transmit electronically thru cc:mail or in diskette form to the Department of Economic Research (DER) their Consolidated Report on FX Assets and Liabilities, henceforth to be called FX Form IA including all supporting schedules of foreign exchange acquisition and disposition. The following are the implementing guidelines to be observed in the electronic reporting of FX Form 1A:

1. Thrift banks shall pilot test the new reporting system for FX Form 1A covering FX transactions for January-June 2001 and shall submit on the following dates:

For the month of:	Deadline
January	29 June
February	6 July
March	13 July
April	20 July
May	27 July
June	3 August

In accomplishing the report, thrift banks shall be guided by the attached Manual of Instructions in accomplishing FX Form 1A.

2. Starting July 2001, FX Form 1A shall be prepared and transmitted electronically or in diskette form on a monthly basis to the DER within ten (10) banking days after the end of the reference month.

3. An officer of the bank with the rank of Assistant Vice-President or equivalent rank shall certify the veracity and accuracy of the report and schedules which shall be submitted to the DER on the next banking day following the prescribed date of submission of the report and schedules.

4. Non-submission, delayed, erroneous or incomplete reporting (including delayed or non-submission of amended reports) shall be subject to a monetary penalty of ₱120.00 per business day of default until the respective report and schedules are transmitted to BSP-DER in accordance with Subsection X162.2 of the New BSP Manual of Regulations for Banks. The report is considered erroneous if there are misclassification of accounts, erroneous entries or those resulting in changes or revisions in the amounts/totals of the Main Report and/or each schedule. The report is considered incomplete if it fails to provide the required information in the respective columns and rows of the report and schedules.

5. This report shall replace the existing FED Form 1A and Sources and Uses of Foreign Currency Deposit (SUFCD) Report and will serve as a transitory report prior to the implementatin of the GL/SL reporting system for thrift banks.

6. FED Form 1A Report under Circular No. 50 dated 6 October 1994 and Thrift Bank's SUFCD Report under Memorandum-Circular dated 26 December 1995 shall cease to be submitted upon successful pilot testing of the report covering the period January-June 2001 transactions. Banks shall be notified accordingly.

7. This Circular shall supersede any other BSP rules inconsistent herewith.

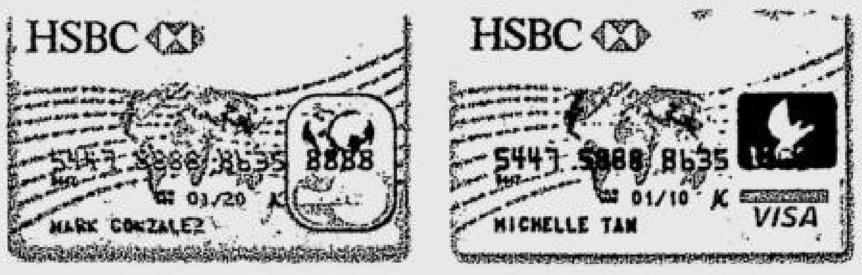
(Sgd.) ALBERTO V. REYES
Officer-in-Charge

4 June 2001

Shopping bliss

is free tickets to Hong Kong, shopping money–

and a really long shopping list.



Use your HSBC credit card for chances to win in HSBC's daily trips to Hong Kong promo.

It's the perfect time to visit Hong Kong – it's sale season and you could go there for FREE thanks to your Visa or MasterCard from HSBC.

From June 3, every P100 charged to your HSBC credit card automatically entitles you to a raffle entry for a chance to win a free trip for two to Hong Kong. Each trip is good for two persons and comes with three (3) days and two (2) nights accommodation at the Marco Polo Hotel, plus P10,000 pocket money.

HSBC will raffle off one FREE trip to Hong Kong on every single banking day starting July 17 to September 3 – that's plenty of trips for you to win! Starting June 3, use your Visa or MasterCard from HSBC as much as you can. Your raffle entries will keep adding up and will be eligible for all the daily draws. You can even win everyday!

Why wait? Use your card now! Promo ends 31 August 2001. Bring out your Visa or MasterCard from HSBC and get ready to go shopping! See flyers for more details.

HSBC

YOUR WORLD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Issued by The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1492, series of 2001

LABOR MANAGEMENT FORUM

Josephus B. Jimenez

Employee's breach of trust

THE SUPREME Court affirmed the management's decision in dismissing a Pepsi Cola sales route manager for fraud and breach of trust, committed by issuing a series of post-dated checks to cover unauthorized credits he extended to himself when he procured Pepsi products for sale on his own account as dealer. This was in the case of RG vs NLRC and Pepsi Cola Products Phils. Inc. (GR 131653, 26 Mar. 2001), through Justice S. de Leon, Jr.

The records of the Supreme Court case shows that in 1990, RG was a route manager of Pepsi Cola tasked with supervising salesmen. He was also a dealer of Pepsi products with a credit line and a conces-

EMPLOYEE'S/ B10

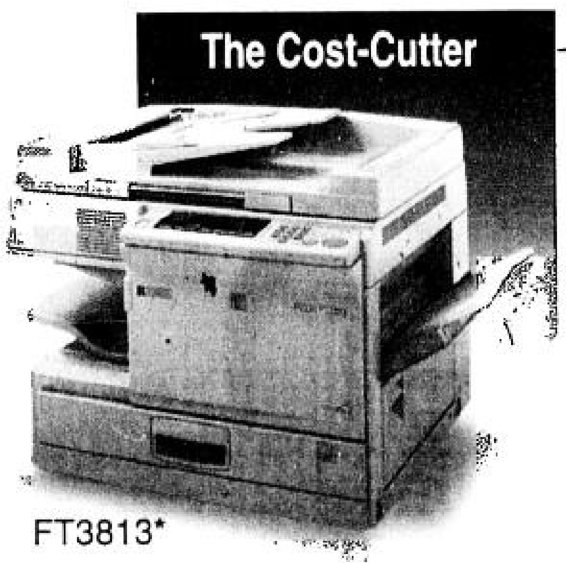
Gearing up to compete?

Here are your tools.

Ricoh presents three high-performance, cost-efficient copiers--your tools to help you get your edge over competition.

Call our Sales Hotlines now! 893-5372 › 817-6718

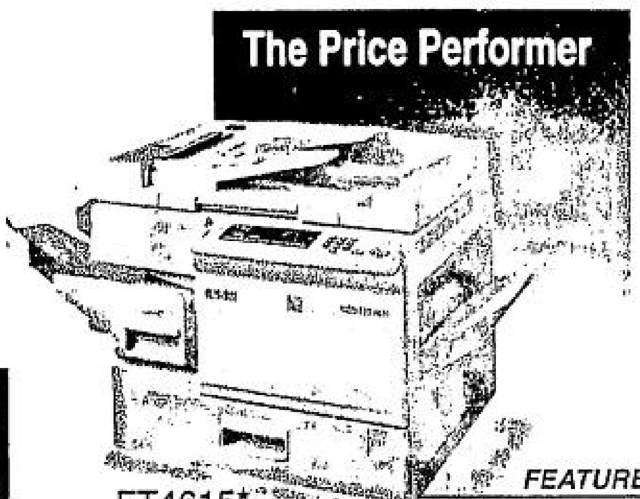
The Cost-Cutter



FT3813*

FEATURES
- 13 copies per minute
- Reducer/Enlarger (61% - 141%)
- Maximum copy size: A3 (11' x 17')
- 250 sheet tray + 80 sheet bypass tray
- 10 users code
- Energy saver

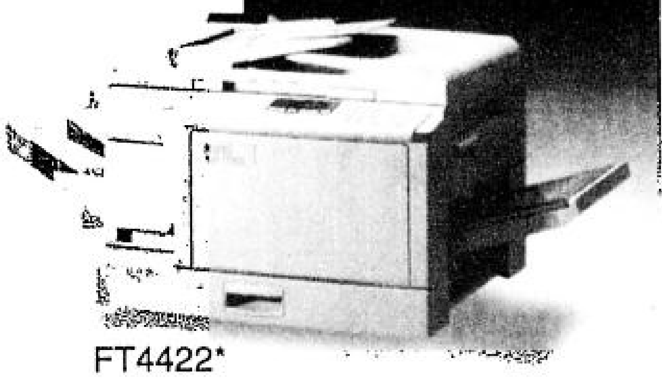
The Price Performer



FT4615*

FEATURES
- 15 copies per minute
- Reducer/Enlarger 50% - 200%
- Maximum copy size: A3 (11' x 17')
- 500 sheet tray + 80 sheet bypass tray
- 10 user codes
- Energy saver

The Value Proposition



FT4422*

FEATURES
- 22 copies per minute
- Reducer/Enlarger 50% - 200%
- Maximum copy size: A3 (11' x 17')
- 250 sheet cassette / 250 sheet front tray + single bypass
- 20 user codes
- Energy saver

*Products shown with optional accessories

RICOH (Philippines), Incorporated
B1 & B5, Karrivin Plaza, 2316 Pasong Tamo Extension, Makati City, 1200
Tels.: (Sales Dept.) 729-3207 • 729-3210 to 14 • 893-5372 • 817-6718 • 813-1460
(Service) 729-3202 to 04 • 817-6713 • 729-5159 to 60

We're in your corner. RICOH Image Communication

DEALERS: TUGUEGARAO *Paramount* Tel. No.: (078) 844-2246 • OLONGAPO *Copy Link Enterprises* Tel. No.: (047) 224-9998 • ISABELA *Unirank Marketing* Tel. No.: (078) 682-8816 • BAGUIO *Brian's Business Machine Center* Tel. No.: (074) 444-9325 • TACLOBAN *Unisa Trades* Tel. No.: (053) 325-2888 • BACOLOD *Ricotech Business Machines* Tel. No.: (034) 434-2380 • CEBU (Master Dealer) *New Datche Phils. Traders Corp* Tel. Nos.: (032) 255-6416/ 254-1084, Fax No.: (032) 255-6689 • CAGAYAN DE ORO *New Datche Phils. Traders Corp* Tel. No.: (088) 856-2874, Fax No.: (08822) 722-765 • DAVAO *Columbia Business Machines Inc.* Tel. Nos.: (082) 227-3476 / 227-3793 / 227-4987, Telefax: (082) 221-1912 • GENERAL SANTOS *Columbia Business Machines Inc.* Tel. No.: (083) 552-3826.

VALUE ADDED RESELLERS: MANILA *Golden Cup* Tel. Nos: 733-8481 to 86; *Sagitarios* Tel. No. 536-7309 • MAKATI *Information Products* Tel. No. 721-5260 • QUEZON CITY *West Woods* Tel. No.: 448-7367; *Quema Pajar* Tel. No.: 413-1260 • BULACAN *Vegas Box* Tel. No.: (044) 711-0179

PANALO ANG CEBU SA CONGRESS.

PROCLAMATION RALLY TONIGHT.

CEBU FOR CONGRESS

OFFICIAL PARTY LIST: PANA, 4A'S, KBP, PRIMO, IBA, OAAP, MORES, CAAP, ASAP, ADBOARD DIRECTORS, CONGRESS SECRETARIAT, CONGRESS EXECUTIVE AND WORKING COMMITTEES AND CAMPAIGN MANAGERS.

TARGET: MARKET
17TH PHILIPPINE ADVERTISING CONGRESS NOV. 21-24, 2001

SSS pensioners

COCKTALES

By Victor C. Agustin

THERE is something strange in the logic being foisted among the public by the suddenly militant SSS union.

They want private sector pay, which they are receiving now, yet they also demand lifetime civil service security.

They want private sector perks, but they do not want to be subjected to private sector rules.

They criticize their new president for having acquired new cell phones, yet turned a blind eye when their self-confessed market manipulator of an ex-boss rewarded himself with a Ford Expedition and jeopardized billions of public funds in Erap-mandated investments.

Foisting the bogey of privatization, the SSS union competed for prime time TV with the Abu Sayyaf bandits for the highest irritation ratings, with the union leader, a female dentist, decrying the distant possibility of job losses.

Do you know how much salary she receives a month? P40,000-plus. And do you know how much the new finance secretary, who oversees the SSS, GSIS, and DBP combined, gets to take home to his family every month? P35,000-plus.

Just exactly what has the new Social Security System president, Vitaliano Nañagas II, done to deserve this public bashing from his subordinates?

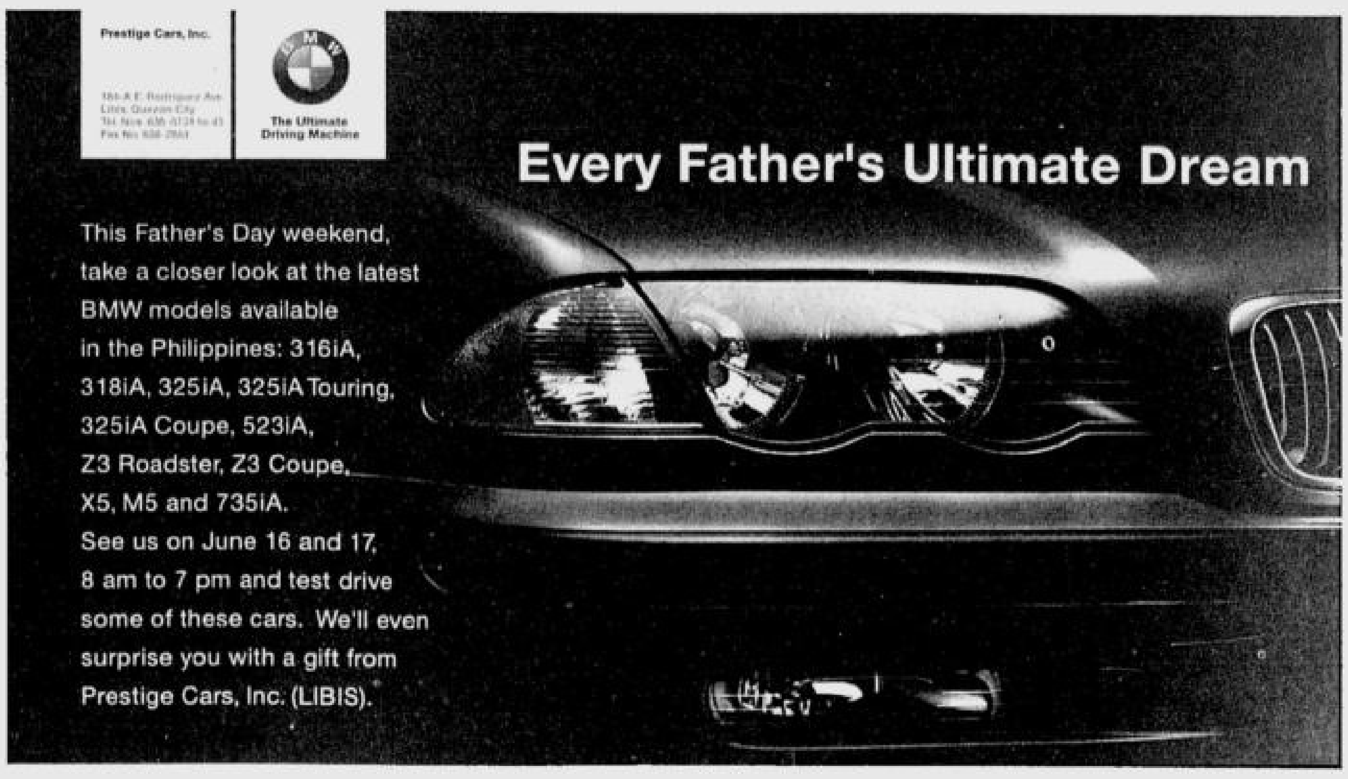
Among the reforms that Nañagas wants to introduce is to commit his department managers to a specified time frame, say one week, to release salary loans, death benefits, or certain benefits due the SSS dues-paying members. Is this unreasonable?

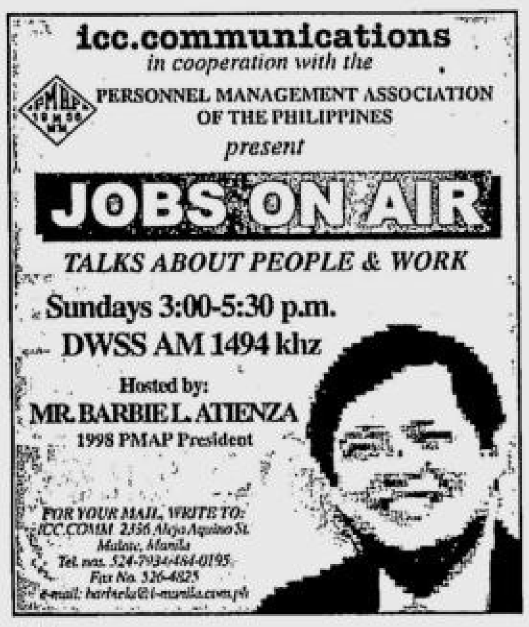
If you look at the letters-to-the-editor section of another newspaper yesterday, there is this widow from Cebu pleading with the SSS to release the burial benefits of her husband who died way back in 1987. This is not a misprint. The husband, a coal miner, perished in 1987, with the wife collecting the death benefits only in 1999, 12 years after the death. Now the widow filed another claim for burial benefits only last December, and to this month, has yet to receive the award.

In other words, Nañagas wants to impose quantifiable measures for the public to judge the SSS branches and offices if they are up to their jobs. For this, the SSS union wants him fired?

Another measure that Nañagas wants to introduce is to give his department managers de-facto hiring powers, with the now-powerful personnel department (the chief is one Marla Laurel, whose pay is about P250,000 a month) being reduced to a ministerial processing center, making sure that the poten-

COCKTALES/ B7


Prestige Cars, Inc.
The Ultimate Driving Machine
Every Father's Ultimate Dream
This Father's Day weekend, take a closer look at the latest BMW models available in the Philippines: 316iA, 318iA, 325iA, 325iA Touring, 325iA Coupe, 523iA, Z3 Roadster, Z3 Coupe, X5, M5 and 735iA.
See us on June 16 and 17, 8 am to 7 pm and test drive some of these cars. We'll even surprise you with a gift from Prestige Cars, Inc. (LIBIS).


icc.communications
in cooperation with the
PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES
present
JOBS ON AIR
TALKS ABOUT PEOPLE & WORK
Sundays 3:00-5:30 p.m.
DWSS AM 1494 khz
Hosted by:
MR. BARBIE L. ATIENZA
1998 PMAP President
FOR YOUR MAIL, WRITE TO:
ICC.COMM 2356 Alejo Aquino St.
Malate, Manila
Tel. nos. 524-7934/484-0195
Fax No. 526-4825
e-mail: barbiela@i-manila.com.ph

IT'S GOT TO BE
SHARP
JAPAN
CALCULATORS
EL-506V
ADVANCED D.A.L.
D.A.L. Direct Algebraic Logic
2-Line Display
Multi-Line Playback
Formula Memory
Constant Calculation
Calculation Chain
Numerical Derivative
Numerical Integral
Hard Case (See-Through)
Twin Power
No. of functions: 330
Battery: Twin Power (Solar & LR44 x 2)
EL-509V
ADVANCED D.A.L.
D.A.L. Direct Algebraic Logic
2-Line Display
Multi-Line Playback
Constant Calculation
Chain Calculation
Hard Case (See-Through)
No. of functions: 183
Battery: LR44 x 2
EL-531RH*
D.A.L. Direct Algebraic Logic
2-Line Display
Multi-Line Playback
Constant Calculation
Chain Calculation
Attached Easy-Glide Hard Case
No. of functions: 183
Battery: AA x 2
*Available in 2 translucent colors: BLUE & GREEN
Exclusively distributed by:
Collins International Trading Corp.
Tel. Nos.: 681-6161 / 681-6163 Fax: 681-6162
Available at:
National Book Store

Meet the latest and powerful LCD monitor-based home PC from Acer!
intel inside pentium 4
NEW!
Acer Veriton 9113L
Enhanced with Acer LCD monitor, the NEW Acer Veriton 9113L, utilizes the Intel® Pentium® 4 processor 1.3GHz and 128MB RDRAM to maximize performance in multi-tasking home operations... Veriton 9113L is the best solution for your home demands!
Intel® Pentium® 4 Processor 1.3GHz
SPECIFICATIONS:
• Intel® Pentium® 4 processor 1.3GHz
• Intel 850 chipset
• 128MB RDRAM
• 30GB HDD
• 16X DVD-ROM Drive
• 32MB Video Card
• 56Kbps Fax/Data Modem
• Built-in audio w/ Flat Speaker x 2
• 14"* LCD Monitor
• Intel® 10/100 Base-TX Ethernet
• Microsoft® Windows® Me Preloaded
BEST PRICE:
PhP 99,900
CASH
FREE!
**Includes Smart Pre-Paid SIM Pack
SMART Buddy Pre-paid
Acer V750
PROMO MECHANICS:
• Get a FREE Acer V750 Cellphone for every single unit purchase of Acer Veriton 9113L.
• Promo is available in all Acer Authorized Resellers
• Promo starts from June 15 to July 22, 2001 only.
• Per DTI-NCR PErmit No. 1730 Series of 2001.
3 Year Limited Warranty
Inquire here
Acer Hotline 302-7777, 302-7888
Acer Website www.acer.com.ph
The Best Selling and the Number One PC Brand in the Phils.*
*Source: Int'l. Data Corp. Asia/Pacific, 2000 Report (1995-1999 Unit Ranking)
"Some of the Acer products packaging and cases currently feature the Acer logo. The acer logo will be introduced during the course of the year."
Includes Windows® Millennium Edition -- the home version of the world's favorite software.
*Viewable area is comparable to regular 15" CRT Monitor.
**Acer V750 Cellphone is worth PhP 6,990.00
acer
we hear you
trademarks of Intel Corporation.

13th Anniversary of the COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW

THE struggle to own land has been a recurring event in the history of mankind. The unequal distribution of land and the resultant social upheavals have undone empires and regimes. Corrective measures have been introduced, but always with violent resistance from those who wished to preserve the status quo.

"Liberating, empowering millions of Filipinos"

In the Philippines, agrarian reform continues to be the frustration and, at the same time, the hope of Filipinos to achieve true liberation and progress.

GMA carries agrarian reform torch

This is a big challenge faced by the administration of President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo under whose leadership lies the enormous task of pursuing vigorously what her father, the late former President Diosdado Macapagal, started nearly four decades ago.

Mrs. Arroyo is looking forward to "a nation where there is equitable land ownership with empowered agrarian reform beneficiaries who are effectively managing their economic and social development for a better quality of life."

Her immediate goals are:

(1) Safeguard and sustain the gains of the government's agrarian reform program;

(2) Provide small farmers and farm workers access and control to land and productive resources in accordance with the Republic Act 6657, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law (CARL)" and other agrarian laws;

(3) Intensify program beneficiaries development in agrarian reform communities and other agrarian reform-covered areas to make them more economically viable and globally competitive; and,

ARROYO
DAR ADB • ARCP
MARCH 1, 2001
LGU NAGUILIAN
TWENTY FOUR MILLION THREE HUNDRED
SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY PESOS

(4) Revitalize the Philippine countryside through socio-economic reforms towards agro-industrialization.

Program Focus

The Arroyo administration sees the agrarian reform program as a key strategy in sustainable rural development and lasting peace. And efforts are underway to ensure its success.

Indeed, the welfare of the agrarian reform beneficiaries is the primary concern of the Department of Agrarian Reform. The department is doing its best to implement development interventions according to the beneficiaries' needs. It is part of an effort to build a hedge against poverty.

Land Distribution

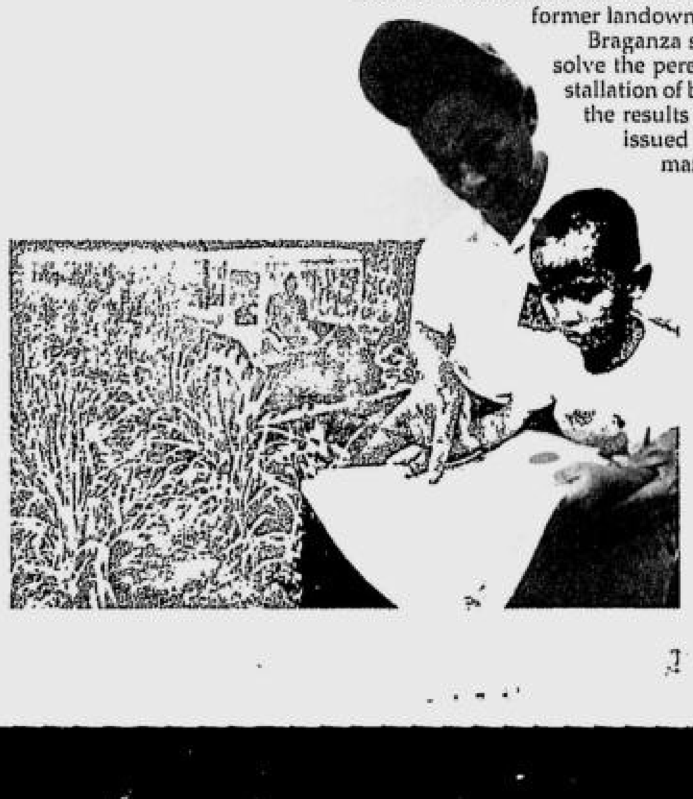
Foremost in the agenda of the Arroyo administration is to fast-track land acquisition and distribution of the remaining balance of close to 1.2 million hectares of agricultural lands. So far, some 3.102 million hectares, about 70 percent of the Department of Agrarian Reform's (DAR) total scope of 4.29 million hectares, have already been distributed to 1.735 million beneficiaries. Around 100,000 hectares of land is targeted for distribution this year and every year thereafter..

To those imbued with optimism, this is a glass more than half-full. Malacañang is aware of the difficulties in expropriating the remaining balance though, most of which are huge privately-owned plantations.

Task Force Salin-Lupa

Agrarian Reform Secretary Hernani Braganza has recently formed Task Force Salin-Lupa to address the problem of beneficiaries already with certificates of land ownership award (CLOAs), but were unable to till the land because of continued resistance by former landowners.

Braganza says the task force will try to resolve the perennial problem involving the installation of beneficiaries, which is oftentimes the results of temporary restraining orders issued by lower courts through legal maneuvers by resisting landowners.



He said the department is currently reviewing cases of uninstalled beneficiaries.

Just recently, the DAR has successfully installed 98 farmer-beneficiaries in five contentious areas in Negros Occidental during his first three months in office.

"After waiting for 12 years under various administrations, these beneficiaries now have their lands not only on paper, but in real terms," Braganza says

Support Services

To further the gains of agrarian reform, the DAR is doing its best to integrate, institutionalize and rationalize the delivery of support services, seeing to it that these are being carried out simultaneously with the transfer of lands. Braganza is aware that land transfer alone does not guarantee a productive life for agrarian reform beneficiaries.

The DAR has efficiently secured funds from Official Development Assistance (ODA) to augment its meager resources. The ODA consists of grants and loans from various bilateral and multilateral sources to finance projects that would help increase productivity and income in agrarian reform communities.

So far, foreign-donor countries and international financing institutions have poured in more than P32 billion for the provision of basic infrastructure, capability-building, cooperative development and agricultural support services to agrarian reform communities in the hope of transforming them into the focal point of the government's efforts to revive the country's economy.

Task Force Bayanihan

To complement the assistance coming from foreign-donor countries and financing institutions, the DAR has formed Task Force Bayanihan that will provide beneficiaries new avenues of learning new farming methods and technical know-how in marketing, among others.

Secretary Braganza orders the establishment of Farmers' Bayanihan Center for Rural Development (FBCRD), a one-stop center for technology-transfer, planning, research and training where beneficiaries may avail themselves of its facilities and services to gain new knowledge about the proper management of their farms. Family-members are also encouraged to attend livelihood (off-farm) trainings to further increase household income.

The Center is another convergence focus of all government line agencies involved in the implementation of the government's agrarian reform program (CARP).

The agrarian reform chief stresses, however, that the Center shall not necessarily mean that a physical structure shall be set up in different provinces where agrarian reform communities and other members of agrarian reform-covered areas exist. He says the department may make use of the existing facilities of State universities and colleges, with strong extension services, and other learning centers managed by civil society organizations, agri-business firms and line government agencies.

Before full development comes in, however, peace and harmony must prevail first among all stakeholders. And speedy delivery of agrarian justice is the key here.

Agrarian Justice

So far, the Department of Agrarian Reform Adjudication Board (DARAB) has resolved 182,824 cases or 93.41 percent of 195,718 cases it received since January 1988 nationwide, leaving 12,894 cases awaiting resolution.

The high rate of cases resolved is worth mentioning, considering that the DAR legal personnel are undermanned. Not only that. They are also handicapped by low salary.

Task Force Katarungan

Secretary Braganza has recently announced the need to tap the services of "barefoot" lawyers, who are young and idealist, to reinforce his undermanned legal bureau. These volunteer-lawyers will take the cudgel for the newly-created Task Force Katarungan, which will spearhead the DAR's crusade against agrarian injustice and help seek peaceful settlement to land dispute cases between farmer-beneficiaries and former landowners.

Braganza believes that any delay in the delivery of agrarian justice do fuel social unrest in the countryside, which may lead to the breaking down of the peace and order situation.

The agrarian reform chief sees the urgency to enlist the support of individuals or groups of lawyers and legal institutions to reinforce the undermanned DAR legal bureau as he expects the number of pending cases to jack up now that the department is in its crucial stage of redistributing the most contentious coverage of the comprehensive agrarian reform program (CARP) – private agricultural lands and commercial farms.

"The success of our program lies on how far can we deliver agrarian justice to our beneficiaries. For every agrarian case we resolved means a farmer or two are emancipated from the bondage of land, and a step towards reshaping the political and economic landscape in the countryside," he stresses.

Task Force Kapayapaan

Braganza says the government's agrarian reform program plays a vital role in the attainment of lasting peace in the countryside after noting that the insurgency problem thrives because of inequality in the distribution of land and the widening gap between the rich and the poor.

It is for this reason that the issue of agrarian reform is integral to the on-going peace negotiations Philippine government is initiating with the National Democratic Front-Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army (NDF-CPP-NPA) and with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) aimed at ending the more than three decades of rebellion in the country.

In response, Braganza has created Task Force Kapayapaan, which will be responsible in keeping the GRP, the NDF and the MILF peace panels updated on the latest development about CARP. The same task force is also tasked to formulate strategies based on the understanding reached by the government and the NDF and the MILF peace panels in the hope of plugging loopholes in the agrarian reform law and making the same responsive to the call of the times.

Lasting Legacy

The administration of Mrs. Arroyo has instructions to prioritize land tenure improvement, a clear indication of her desire to pursue the task her late father had started when the elder Macapagal signed into law Republic Act 3844, otherwise known as the Agricultural Land Reform Code, on August 8, 1963. The law, Macapagal's legacy to the poor Filipino farmers, sought to replace share tenancy with a more suitable mode of agrarian set up – the leasehold system. It was hailed as one that would emancipate Filipino farmers from bondage of tenancy.

The RA 3844 became the basic foundation of agrarian reform program of the Philippines, from which former President Marcos took the cue when he promulgated on October 21, 1972 Presidential Decree No. 27 (PD 27), otherwise known as the "Tenants' Emancipation Act." The PD 27 signaled the launching of "Operation Land Transfer" for the orderly and systematic transfer of tenanted rice and corn lands to tenant-tillers.

The program, however, brought little success as social unrest brought about by inequitable land distribution continued. When President Corazon Aquino came into power, she batted for a more comprehensive program. Under her administration, the RA 6657 (CARL) was passed in June 1988. It covers, regardless of tenurial arrangement and commodity produce, all public and private agricultural lands.

FINANCE DIRECT

Despite tremendous pressure from various sectors, more particularly from defiant landowners, the government has pursued the program vigorously. With more than 3.102 million hectares already distributed to some 1.735 million beneficiaries, and the support services that go with it, the program has somehow passed the test.

The ARC approach to development

Former President Fidel V. Ramos gave the RA 6657 more substance when he introduced in 1993 the agrarian reform community (ARC) concept to usher in an era of accelerated and sustained national growth through a concerted, holistic and area-focused approach in community development. It is an over-arching framework that guides DAR and other implementing agencies in delivering interventions for program beneficiaries development.

The agrarian reform communities, which are clusters of land-reformed barangays, serve as growth points in the countryside and as areas showcasing partnership and convergence between and among stakeholders on rural development where they can concentrate their resources and development efforts.

After eight years of agrarian reform community development program, the department has launched 1,308 agrarian reform communities nationwide, spread over 4,456 barangays in 970 municipalities. These communities cover around 1 million agricultural lands cultivated by some 536,113 beneficiaries.

No less than the World Bank recognized the value of these agrarian reform communities. A study commissioned by the World Bank has reported that members of agrarian reform communities earn higher income and enjoy greater productivity compared to farmers not covered by agrarian reform program.

No doubt, a land reform program vigorously pursued by the government creates a highly-beneficial impact on its beneficiaries, and contribute to sustainable poverty reduction and tangible improvement in farmers' welfare.

As American expert William C. Thusenhusen, emeritus professor of agricultural and applied economics at the University of Wisconsin, puts it: "The way to break poverty is for governments to have a more active role in pursuing more vigorous programs for agrarian reform."

And the Arroyo administration is doing just that. In commemorating the 13th anniversary of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program, President Arroyo is rallying all stakeholders to join hands in pursuit for a sustainable rural development and lasting peace in the countryside.

"Bayan-Anihan tungo sa mapayapa't maunlad na kanayunan!"

DAR DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM

Philippine Stock Exchange

(As of Thursday, June 14, 2001)

STOCKS	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	VOLUME
BANKS & FINANCIAL SERVICES					
BANKS					
Banco Filipino Sav & Mort	100	100	100	100	500
Bank of the Phil. Islands	76	76	75	76	105,300
China Banking Corp.	650	650	650	650	1,090
Chinatrust Comm. Bank	16	16	13	13	2,000
Equitable PCI Bank Inc.	40.5	41	40.5	41	157,700
Metropolitan Bank & Trust	218	219	217	218	240,430
Security Bank Corp.	19.75	21.25	19.75	21.25	1,200
Union Bank of the Phil.	25	25	25	25	100
FINANCIAL SERVICE					
Bankard Inc.	1.46	1.46	1.46	1.46	14,000
Filipino Fund Inc.	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	10,000
Manulife Financial Corp.	1385	1390	1385	1390	4,010
PCI Leasing & Fin. Inc.	1	1	1	1	50,000
Sun Life Financial Serv.	1140	1145	1140	1145	17,320
COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL					
COMMUNICATION					
ABS-CBN Broadcasting Corp.	40	40.5	40	40	18,800
Digital Telecom Phils. Inc.	0.55	0.62	0.55	0.59	21,060,000
Globe Telecom Inc.	680	690	680	690	1,700
Island Info and Tech Inc.	0.04	0.042	0.04	0.042	1,900,000
Liberty Telecoms Holdings	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	10,000
Manila Bulletin Pub. Corp.	3.1	4.2	3.1	4.2	19,000
Piltel	0.65	0.7	0.65	0.69	740,000
Phil. Telegraph & Tel. Co.	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	50,000
Phil. Long Dis Tel Co.	700	720	700	710	291,130
Philweb.Com Inc.	0.039	0.042	0.039	0.042	284,200,000
POWER & ENERGY					
Manila Electric Co. A	41	41	40.5	40.5	13,100
Manila Electric Co. B	55.5	56	55.5	55.5	259,500
Petron Corp.	2.38	2.46	2.38	2.46	12,130,000
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES					
Int'l Container Term'l Sv	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.25	22,865,000
CONSTRUCTION & OTHER RELATED PRODUCTS					
Engineering Equip. Inc.	0.38	0.38	0.36	0.36	4,770,000
Republic Glass Hldg. Corp	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	32,000
Union Cement Corp.	1.14	1.14	1.1	1.12	7,470,000
FOOD, BEVERAGES & TOBACCO					
Cosmos Bottling Corp.	3.9	3.9	3.85	3.85	100,000
Jollibee Foods Corp.	13.5	14	13.5	13.75	216,300
La Tondeña Distillers Inc.	26.5	27	26.5	27	252,200
RFM Corp.	1.2	1.24	1.2	1.24	362,000
San Miguel Corp. A	41.5	43	41.5	43	122,400
San Miguel Corp. B	47.5	48.5	47.5	48.5	521,300
Vitarich Corp.	0.49	0.5	0.49	0.5	1,130,000
HOLDING FIRMS					
Abacus Con Res & Hdg A	0.8	0.8	0.73	0.74	680,000
Abacus Con Res & Hdg B	0.8	0.8	0.79	0.79	60,000
Ayala Corp.	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	1,472,000
Aboitiz Equity Ventures	1.64	1.64	1.56	1.56	735,000
Alliance Global Group Inc.	11.25	11.5	11	11	2,700
Ajo.Net Holdings Inc.	0.82	0.82	0.78	0.82	1,130,000
A. Soriano Corp.	0.58	0.58	0.57	0.57	4,700,000
APC Group Inc.	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	10,000
ATN Holdings Inc.	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	5,000
Balabac Resources & Hldgs.	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	20,000
Boulevard Holdings Inc.	0.17	0.21	0.17	0.21	310,000
Benpres Holdings Corp.	1.88	2	1.84	1.94	47,788,000
Basic Consolidated Inc.	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	30,000
Crown Equities Inc.	0.17	0.175	0.17	0.175	560,000
Southeast Asian Cement	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	390,000
DMCI Holdings Inc.	0.34	0.36	0.33	0.34	16,240,000
Filinvest Dev. Corp.	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	264,000
First Phil Hldgs Corp.	24.5	26	24.5	26	601,800
Global Equities Inc.	0.26	0.26	0.25	0.25	690,000
Guoco Holdings (Phils.)	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	100,000
Ionics Inc.	12	12	12	12	4,400
J.G. Summit Holdings Inc.	2.12	2.12	2.06	2.06	26,000
Macroasia Corp.	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44	10,000
Megaworld Corp.	0.83	0.83	0.8	0.82	4,490,000
Multitech Inv. Corp.	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	190,000
Metro Pacific Corp.	0.53	0.53	0.5	0.51	4,490,000
Philtread Holdings Corp.	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	8,000
Solid Group Inc.	0.54	0.58	0.54	0.56	760,000
Uniwide Holdings Inc.	0.3	0.35	0.3	0.35	20,390,000
Waterfront Phils. Inc.	0.27	0.27	0.25	0.25	260,000
MANUFACTURING, DISTRIBUTION & TRADING					
Active Alliance Inc.	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	20,000
Euro-Med Lab. Phil. Inc.	4.8	5	4.8	5	10,000
Music Corp.	2.2	2.4	2.2	2.4	240,000
Picop Resources Inc.	0.095	0.095	0.095	0.095	300,000
Central Azucar Don Pedro	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.89	100,000
SPI Technologies Inc.	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.75	56,300
HOTEL, RECREATION & OTHER SERVICE					
Belle Corp.	0.57	0.58	0.57	0.58	2,400,000
Fairmont Holdings Inc.	0.59	0.59	0.57	0.58	1,170,000
Leisure & Resorts Corp.	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	10,000
Premiere Ent. Prod. Inc.	0.23	0.28	0.23	0.25	960,000
Philippine Racing Club	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	2,000
BONDS, PREFERRED & WARRANTS					
ABS-CBN Hldgs. Corp (Pdr)	40	40	40	40	536,900
DMCI Holdings Inc.-Pref.	490	490	490	490	3,500
Equitable PCI Bank-War	2.44	2.55	2.44	2.55	18,000
Jollibee Warrants	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.5	52,000
Omico Corp. Warrant	0.0028	0.0028	0.0028	0.0028	300,000,000
Rfm Corp.-Pref.	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	433,000
PLDT (10% Pref.) Series U	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.25	2,000
PLDT (10% Pref) Series X	10	10	10	10	1,000
PLDT (10% Pref) Series Y	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.25	1,000
PLDT (10% Pref) Series Z	10	10	10	10	1,000
Philweb.Com Inc.-Warrants	0.03	0.033	0.03	0.033	86,800,000
PROPERTY					
Ayala Land Inc.	5.3	5.5	5.2	5.4	8,042,000
Araneta Properties Inc.	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.21	200,000
Cebu Holdings Inc.	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	10,000
C & P Homes Inc.	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.34	1,770,000
Empire East Land Inc.	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	2,460,000
Edsa Prop. Holdings Inc.	1	1	1	1	1,000
Filinvest Land Inc.	2.36	2.38	2.28	2.36	4,019,000
Fil-Estate Land Inc.	0.32	0.32	0.32	0.32	120,000
Phil Realty and Holdings	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	500,000
SM Prime Holdings Inc.	6.6	7	6.6	7	10,248,000
Universal Rightfield Prop.	0.085	0.085	0.085	0.085	2,000,000
MINING					
Apex Mining Co. Inc. A	0.0055	0.0055	0.0055	0.0055	7,000,000
Abra Mining & Industrial	0.0044	0.0046	0.0044	0.0046	10,000,000
Dizon Copper Silver Mines	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	65,000
Itogon-Suyoc Mines A	0.02	0.028	0.02	0.028	69,700,000
Itogon-Suyoc Mines B	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	1,000,000
Lepanto Cons Mng. Co. A	0.165	0.165	0.165	0.165	400,000
Lepanto Cons. Mng. Co B	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	500,000
Manila Mining Corp. A	0.0055	0.0055	0.0055	0.0055	10,000,000
Manila Mining Corp. B	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.006	30,000,000
Omico Corp.	0.0042	0.0042	0.004	0.0042	331,000,000
Philex Mining Corp. A	0.22	0.23	0.22	0.23	570,000
Philex Mining Corp. B	0.245	0.245	0.245	0.245	100,000
OIL					
Imperial Res.	0.02	0.022	0.02	0.022	27,000,000
Oriental Pet. & Min. A	0.0042	0.0042	0.0038	0.0038	8,000,000
Pacifica	0.014	0.016	0.014	0.015	60,800,000
South China Resources Inc.	0.19	0.2	0.19	0.2	20,000
Vulcan Ind'l.	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	50,000

BIR unlikely to meet target, Camacho says

FINANCE Secretary Jose Isidro Camacho said yesterday the Bureau of Internal Revenue was unlikely to meet its P408-billion revenue collection target this year.

Despite the collection shortfall, he said, the government would still be able to keep its budget deficit below P145 billion by year's end.

Camacho said the Bureau of Customs "still has a fighting chance" of meeting its target of collecting some P120 billion this year.

The BIR would likely miss its target by P3 billion to P4 billion, he said.

He said companies would likely post lower earnings—and pay lower taxes—this year because of the economic slowdown.

Camacho said the government was also counting on generating enough earnings from its fees and from the sale of its assets, which it expected to hit P7 billion this year.

"We have squeezed the blood out of expenditures, and we intend to spend along program levels already," he said.

Earnings of the BIR and BOC fell short by P10.56 billion and P1 billion in the first four months of the year to P134.55 billion and P28.3 billion.

The revenue targets of the two agencies were no longer revised by the economic team of President Macapagal-Arroyo, although it trimmed its economic growth target to 3.3 from 3.8 percent.

As a general rule, the government's earnings go down by P5 billion for every 1-percentage-point drop in gross domestic product growth. *Clarissa S. Batino*

Cocktales . . .

(From page B5)

tial hire is not a loony (or at least, less loony than what a few SSS employees now are) or HIV-positive.

For wanting to empower his front-line managers, Nañagas is now being vilified by the SSS unionists and their patrons from the Left.

If this is the kind of work ethic the SSS union and the new Left want to foster among the bureaucracy in our drive for "tiger-hood," then God, Allah, and Buddha help this country.

Power play

THE POWER reform bill may have already been signed, but it seems Energy-now-Finance Secretary Jose Isidro Camacho is not over the hump yet.

There is an ongoing, high-level attempt to round up a broad alliance among independent power producers, those who put up their own power plants to service their own businesses' needs, against a provision in the new law making mandatory interconnection charges to the likes of Meralco/Aboitiz power suppliers even if the IPPs do not buy power from the former.

Among those who have set up their own power plants to serve their respective businesses include the Phinma-operated cement factories (like Camacho, Phinma's boss, former Finance Secretary Ramon del Rosario Jr., is a leading member of Manindigan!), taipan John Gokongwei Jr. (for his and the country's lone surviving, textile mill), taipan Andrew Gotianun (for his Filinvest mall in Alabang), and the Republic-Asahi glass plant in Pasig.

In addition to cheaper electricity, the private power plants ensured the respective factories steady supply of electricity during the brownout days of the '80s. With the new power act, it seems that the competitive pricing advantage of these industries will now be wiped out with the mandatory and universal interconnection charge.

Camacho is supposed to suffer a whiplash from the new lobby for having successfully campaigned with Congress to have the crucial legislation passed.

In addition to having charmed the pants off Sen. John Osmeña, Camacho was supposed to have extended P5 million each to 100 congressmen for the "Ilaw sa Barangay" (literally, Light to the Barangay) project to gain their votes.

The congressional pork barrel supposedly came from a P500-million loan extended by the Landbank to the National Power Corp. (where Camacho was a short-time chairman) by way of the National Electrification Administration.

Both Camacho and Landbank's Gary Teves deny knowledge of the alleged loan, but strangely, both could not categorically deny whether such a loan had actually been extended by Landbank to Napocor/NEA.

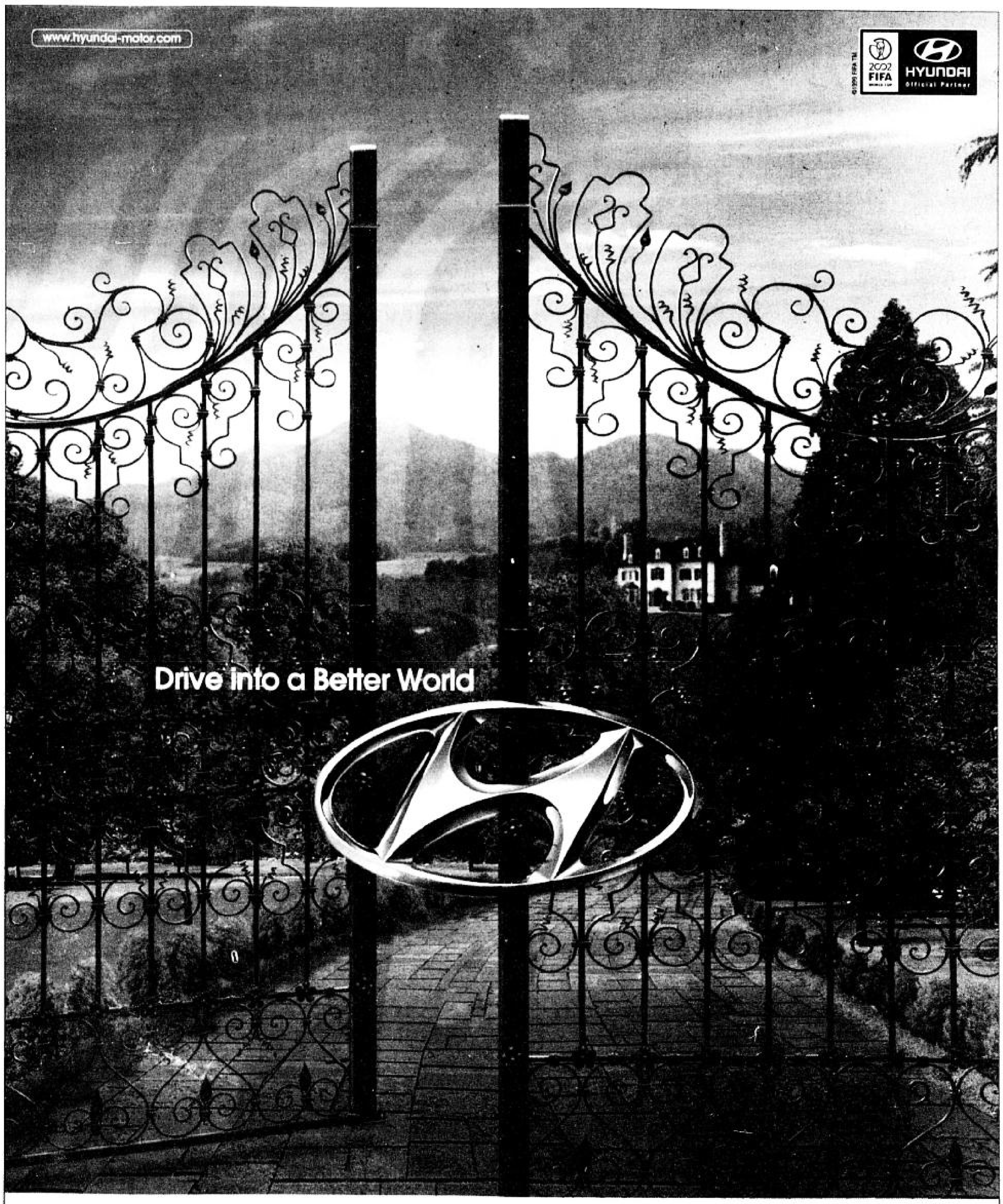
Heard through the grapevine

CNBC Asia is returning to the local cable TV scene today by way of free-TV Channel 11.

The signing and the first live-satellite beam ceremonies will be held no less than in Malacañang this afternoon, with President Macapagal-Arroyo, Channel 11's Bro. Eddie Villanueva, and Singapore-based CNBC executives in attendance.

In case you have not noticed it, Channel 11 has also been running the live ticker-tape trading of the Philippine Stock Exchange for some time now, positioning itself as a business news channel in the "dead" morning hours in the hope of winning commercial sponsorships to subsidize the Jesus-is-Lord evangelical operations.

(Cocktales may be reached by e-mail at cocktales_pdi@yahoo.com or at cocktales_pdi@hotmail.com.)



Too often in life, we are forced to choose between what we need and what we really want. That's why at Hyundai, we build cars that don't make you compromise. Cars with responsive engines, smooth-shifting transmission and exquisitely designed interiors that make you feel comfortable and safe. The new Hyundais. Responsive. Reliable. Affordable. The perfect balance of everything you need in a car.

HYUNDAI
PREPARE TO WANT ONE

Create a 'Priceless' ad and hit a gold mine

BY MARGIE QUIMPO-ESPINO

FOUR years ago, the big guys at MasterCard International Inc.'s headquarters in New York decided to review the trends in the payments industry.

The review concluded that the industry is marked by consolidation, cash and check displacement, globalization and disintermediation. In response to these developments, they drew up the strategy to "focus, strengthen and differentiate."

The strategy meant focusing on key countries and members, strengthening its core products and service delivery, and differentiating through individualized service and solutions.

In line with the review, the big guys thought MasterCard needed to create a new image, a new marketing position, as its senior executive vice president Alan J. Heuer explains.

They first studied their market, got to know their customers' wants and desires. "It is a disciplined process," Heuer recalls.

After finalizing their business strategy and talking to their consumers, they decided to tap creative minds.

"We talked on a preliminary basis with highly regarded agencies and ended up giving five of them an opportunity to listen to us talk about our business, sharing the research we had done, the dynamics of our business that we will focus on and basically preparing them to do their part of the process," Heuer who was among the big guys tells Business Friday during the recent MasterCard Asia/Pacific annual meeting in Gold Coast, Australia.

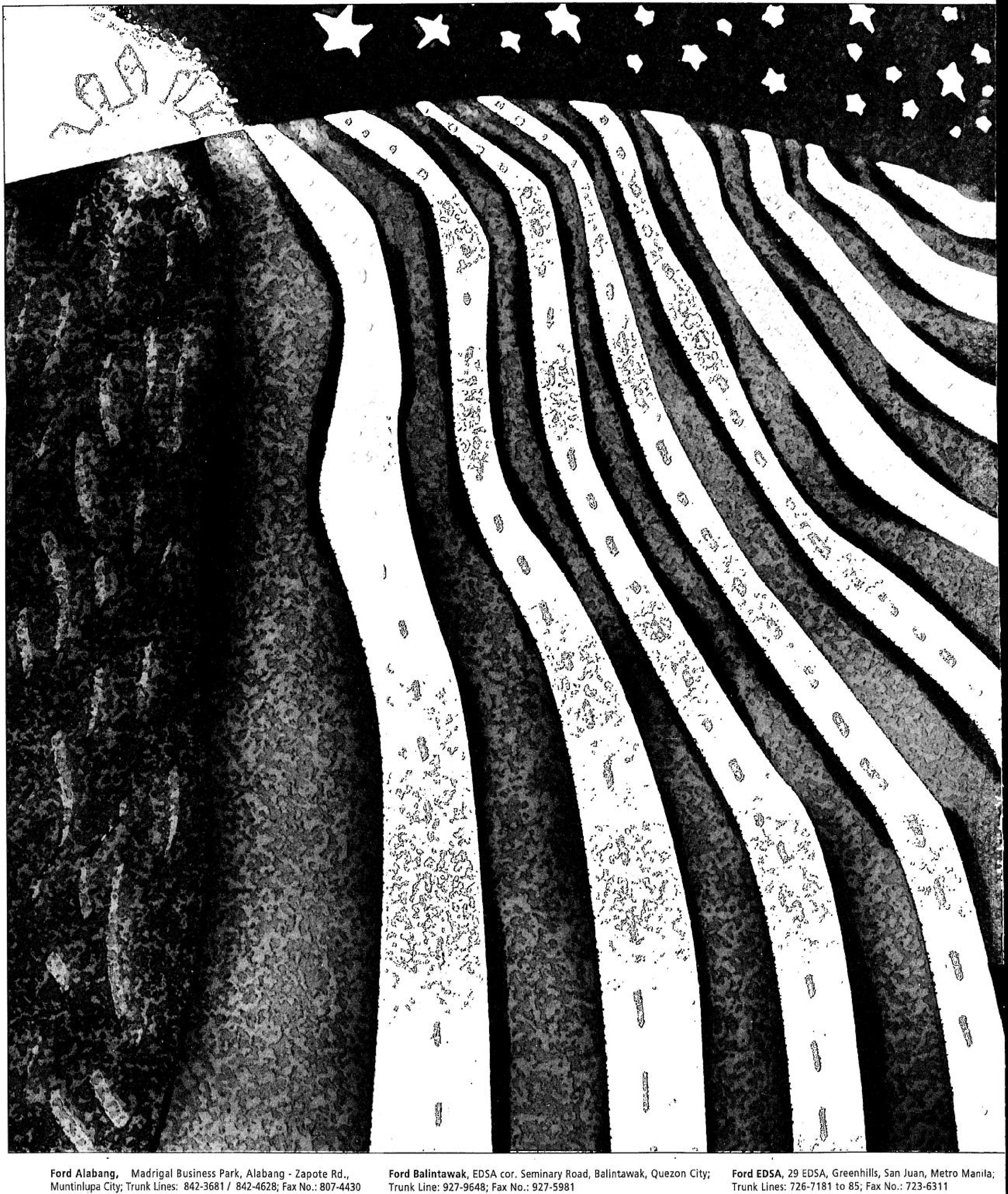
"At the end of the day, it was the McCann Erickson creative people with their concept of 'There are some things money can't buy, for everything else, there's MasterCard.' They put the emotional piece together so there was some creative genius at the end," Heuer explains.

The new ad campaign was a hit. In a few months it earned the tagline "Priceless" and is now viewed in 81 countries, some using the exact ads but in different languages. Others, like in Japan, are tailor fit for the local market.

CREATE/ B9

MasterCard

SOCCER legend Pelé has been the credit card's endorser for the past 10 years. Through the tie-up, Mastercard was able to help in sports development.



Ford Alabang, Madrigal Business Park, Alabang - Zapote Rd., Muntinlupa City; Trunk Lines: 842-3681 / 842-4628; Fax No.: 807-4430

Ford Balintawak, EDSA cor. Seminary Road, Balintawak, Quezon City; Trunk Line: 927-9648; Fax No.: 927-5981

Ford EDSA, 29 EDSA, Greenhills, San Juan, Metro Manila; Trunk Lines: 726-7181 to 85; Fax No.: 723-6311

Ford Cabanatuan, Maharlika Highway, Sumacab-Este, Cabanatuan City; Tel No.: (044) 464-0111 ; Fax No.: (044) 600-4200

Ford Pampanga, San Fernando - Olongapo Highway, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; Trunk Line: (045) 961-2888; Fax Nos.: (045) 963-5205 / 961-2277

Ford Bacol
Telefax No.

Create . . .

(From page B8)

The ad was not only a hit in terms of reaping rewards, it also brought in the revenues that eventually increased the card firm's market share, taking away some of the huge slices of major competitor Visa.

Heuer roughly estimates that Visa holds about 60 percent of the market while MasterCard controls the remaining 40 percent.

To support the Priceless campaign, MasterCard also sponsored the Formula One Racing and will be a major sponsor in the World Cup Championship Soccer in 2002.

"We know these commercials are working, and having the intended effect on mind share, market share, and brand preference," MasterCard International Asia/Pacific president Andre Sekulic states in his report.

He says they conducted research in five markets last year—India, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand—before and after the MasterCard Priceless commercials were aired.

The results were:

Top of brand awareness jumped by 27 percent.

Reported brand usage increased by 32 percent.

Awareness of MasterCard advertising increased by 15 percent.

"In addition, and perhaps more important, the attributes associated with the MasterCard brand by those researched showed phenomenal increases in exactly the areas we want consumers to associate the MasterCard brand," Sekulic says.

These are:

Those associating MasterCard as a brand good for everyday rose from 45 percent before the advertising to 73 percent after the campaign.

Consumers who feel that MasterCard is better than paying cash jumped from 47 percent to 74 percent.

Consumers also felt that MasterCard is a brand they feel good about using, with an average 78 percent feeling this way.

About 80 percent of the consumers in the five markets feel MasterCard is a brand they can trust.

Heuer says McCann also did research on its own on the effect of the Priceless campaign before it was launched.

"We wanted something the consumers will like, something that will connect with the emotional level and at the same time, will be functional," Heuer says.

In the past, MasterCard's advertising line focused on security and technology.

"Our research showed that security is important to cardholders. Technology is a big security issue that is why we chose it as our theme. The 'Future of Money' that was the line," Heuer says. "There was nothing wrong with it, it just did not have the same impact as Priceless."

Meanwhile, in his report, Sekulic says "consumers and businesses used their MasterCard payments cards last year to make over one billion transactions in Asia-Pacific. That's over 12,000 transactions per hour each and every day of the year in our region on MasterCard credit, Maestro debit, and Mondex stored value cards."

(The author was invited by MasterCard to attend its annual meeting in Gold Coast last June 4-7.)

Ads do more than sell

By Michelle V. Remo

FIRMS that rely heavily on advertising must have heard of the old advertising model called AIDA, which stands for awareness, interest, desire and action.

This model explains how an effective advertising campaign works to bring the desired result for any marketing campaign—higher sales.

Apparently, any advertisement's initial effect on the audience is creating awareness of the existence of the product or service being advertised. Once this is achieved, a good ad campaign creates interest and stimulates desire for that product or service.

At the end of the day, an advertising campaign is effective if it convinces the target audience to act, that is, to avail of or buy the advertised product or service.

This model, which has been used since the start of tri-media advertising, sounds logical. But, current advertising campaigns prove that this model has become passe.

Joselito Ortega, president of BBDO Guerrero Ortega, says that contrary to the principles of the AIDA model, ad campaigns do not end with the "action" by the target market to purchase the advertised product or service.

He explains that if this is the only purpose of advertisements, well-known products like Pepsi and Coca-Cola should not be doing anymore advertising. This is because, obviously, almost everyone is already aware of the said products, have interest and desire to purchase them, and have bought them more than once.

Ortega explains that only 30 percent of ad effectiveness are aimed at attracting new clients, while 70 percent are intended to increase sales among current users.

This proves that ad campaigns do not end with a single "action" by the target market, but are there to reinforce consumer behavior and make them continue purchasing the product or service.

Given these developments, Ortega introduces a new model that replaces the initials D and A of AIDA with E for experience and three Bs for behavior, belief and bond.

Ortega says that once interest is created among the target market, their expectations of the product or service, in accordance with what the ad promises, come next.

These expectations will then result in the ad's desired audience behavior—purchase of the product or service.

The more crucial stage of the new ad model is the belief, and ultimately the relationship that the audience should have in the product or service they purchased. The belief, however, does not depend solely on the ad anymore, but also on how the product or service meets their expectations. Once the belief is there, what should be maintained is the bond between the audience and the product or service.

This is where the need for reinforcement comes in. Since the viability of business organizations is not made through a single sale alone, making sure that clients continue to be loyal is indispensable.

Substantiating the need for reinforcement, Ortega presents studies showing that 85 percent of those who purchase cars are those who read car ads, and 70 percent of those who travel are those who read destination ads.

He explains that though many car brands and tourist destinations are known among consumers, reinforcement from advertisements is really the one that closes the deal.

FORD CELEBRATES THE ROAD TO FREEDOM
THROUGH LIBERATING DEALS.

Ford
FREEDOM
FESTIVAL

Our countries have shared a sense of history. Now we're about to share a whole lot more.

Presenting the Ford Freedom Festival. From June 8 to August 31, experience the ultimate freedom with these epic deals on vehicles of American pride. Imagine paying for the Ford Expedition, Ford Explorer Sport Trac and Ford Chateau Wagon every 6 months in 3 easy installments. Or enjoy a break of 90 days from monthly payments after your downpayment for the Ford Ranger and the Ford Lynx!

Momentous deals on grand wheels. Now this is what we truly call an independence day.

FORD EXPEDITION

SRP	DOWNPAYMENT		PAYMENT 1		PAYMENT 2
P1,690,000	P585,000	6 months freedom from payment	P585,000	6 months freedom from payment	P585,000

0% INTEREST FINANCING PLANS ALSO AVAILABLE
SPECIAL INCENTIVE FOR CASH BUYERS

FORD RANGER XLT 4X4

SRP	DOWNPAYMENT		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
			MONTHLY AMORTIZATION		
P929,000	P179,995	90 days freedom from payment	P24,995	P26,995	P27,995

FREE BEDLINER, BULLBAR AND CABSTEPS
SPECIAL INCENTIVE FOR CASH BUYERS

FORD LYNX GSi M/T

SRP	DOWNPAYMENT		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
			MONTHLY AMORTIZATION		
P620,000	P99,995	90 days freedom from payment	P15,995	P18,995	P19,995

FREE KEYLESS ENTRY WITH ALARM AND TRUNK RELEASE
SPECIAL INCENTIVE FOR CASH BUYERS

- More financing options available on all models and variants; with all plans subject to credit approval.
- Ford Credit Plans available in Luzon only.
- Alternative financing schemes available outside Luzon.
- Shipping and handling charges may apply outside Luzon.

- Visit any of the Ford dealerships to inquire about our special deals and get a chance to win a Limited Edition Ford Lynx GSi M/T.
- Purchase any Ford vehicle and get another chance to win 1 of 2 Limited Edition Ford Lynx GSi M/T.
- Raffle draws will be on July 8 and September 4, 2001.

Ford Credit

See tent card for details.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1740 Series of 2001.

Ford Libis, 186 E. Rodriguez Jr. Ave., Bagumbayan, Libis, Quezon City;
Trunk Line. 637-2044; Fax No.: 637-6008

Ford Makati, 2287 Pasong Tamo Ext., Makati City 1231;
Trunk Line: 818-5555; Fax No.: 815-0513

Ford Quezon Avenue, Quezon Avenue corner Apo Street, Quezon City;
Tel nos.: 732-3943; 732-3945

d. Araneta St., Barangay Singcang, Bacolod City;
(034) 434-2877

Ford Cebu, Magallanes cor. P. Burgos St., Cebu City 6000;
Trunk Line: (032) 253-0453; Fax No.: (032) 253-0429

Ford Davao, Km. 6, Lanang, Davao City;
Tel. No.: (082) 234-1111; Fax No.: (082) 234-2222

Employee's breach of trust

(From page B4)

sion representing the cash commensurate with the value of the empty bottles and its contents provided he satisfied the sales quota for each month.

On Nov. 2, 1992, RG purchased Pepsi products on credit for P116,182.00 for which he issued a postdated check due in December 1992. Three days prior to the due date, he issued another postdated check, giving himself an extension until Jan. 4, 1993. To cover the transaction, RG ordered a salesman under him to issue an official receipt. He knew that issuing an OR for postdated checks was contrary to company policy.

Dismissed for irregularities

When the salesman could not account for the money, RG issued another postdated check dated Jan. 15, 1993. He then issued a receipt to himself. For these, he was subjected to administrative investigation even after he made payments. After due process, his employment was terminated on Sept. 30, 1993. He filed a case of illegal dismissal, which the arbiter decided in his favor on 15 October 1996.

The NLRC, on 26 June 1997, reversed the arbiter's decision, which directed the reinstatement and payment to RG of his back wages. RG went to the Supreme Court which affirmed the NLRC. The court, in ruling in favor of the company declared that there was indeed a just cause to dismiss RG and he was afforded due process.

Supreme Court: Dismissal was legal

The Supreme Court declared through Justice De Leon: "Maneuvers and machinations on the questionable credit sale transaction could not have been consummated by the petitioner if he was not equipped with the knowledge, as a route manager, of how the respondent company processes these kinds of transactions. It was highly inconceivable for a mere dealer to have done what the petitioner did."

These are the maneuvers that the court deemed a just cause to dismiss RG. "First, the petitioner gave himself a credit extension without proper authorization. Second, the petitioner, as a route manager, prevailed upon salesman A, his subordinate, over whom he exercises moral and professional ascendancy to carry out his machinations. Third, upon discovery by the settlement clerk of the fraudulent OR, petitioner issued another postdated check together with a POR receipt signed by petitioner himself although he was not authorized to do so."

The Supreme Court held that "these acts of petitioner are patently dishonest and militate against the rules and regulations of his employer. Hence, the loss of trust and confidence in him by private respondent PCPPI."

The legal basis of the termination is Article 282 of the Labor Code under which dismissal is just when there is willful breach of trust. "A breach of trust is willful if it is done intentionally, knowingly and purposely, without justifiable excuse, as distinguished from an act done thoughtlessly, heedlessly or inadvertently." (See ACMDC vs NLRC, 290 SCRA 479, 1998)

Loss of confidence

The court stressed that loss of confidence, as a just cause for termination of employment, was premised on the fact that the employee concerned held a position of responsibility, trust and confidence. He must be invested with confidence on delicate matters such as the custody, handling, care and protection of the employer's property and/or funds. But in order to constitute a just cause for dismissal, the act must be "work-related" such as it would show the employee concerned to be unfit to continue working for the employer. (Sanchez vs NLRC, 812 SCRA 727, 1999)

The court declared that as a general rule, employers are allowed a wide latitude of discretion in terminating the employment of managerial personnel or those who perform functions requiring the employer's full trust and confidence. Proof beyond reasonable doubt is not required. It is sufficient that there is some basis for loss of confidence, such as when the employer has reasonable ground to believe that the employee is responsible for the misconduct and the nature of his act makes him unworthy of the trust by his employer.

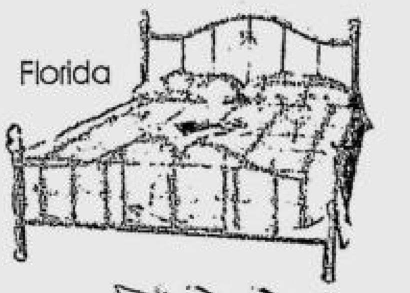
No compassion for dishonesty

In the case of PLDT vs NLRC (GR 80609, 23 Aug. 1988), the Supreme Court held: The policy of social justice is not intended to countenance wrongdoing simply because it is committed by the underprivileged. Compassion for the poor is an imperative of every humane society but only when the recipient is not a rascal claiming an undeserved privilege. Social justice cannot be permitted to be a refuge of scoundrels any more than can equity be an impediment to the punishment of the guilty.

As enunciated repeatedly, while the Constitution is committed to the policy of social justice and the protection of the working class, it should not be supposed that every labor dispute would be automatically decided in favor of labor. Management also has its own rights that should be respected in the interest of fair play.

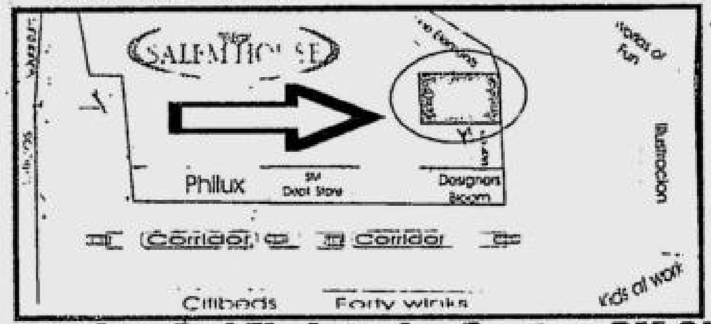
(For comments, you can reach the writer at the following e-mail address: josephus.jimenez@pcppi.com.ph)

SALEM HOUSE
Grand Opening Sale
June 15-July 15, 2001



Great Discounts

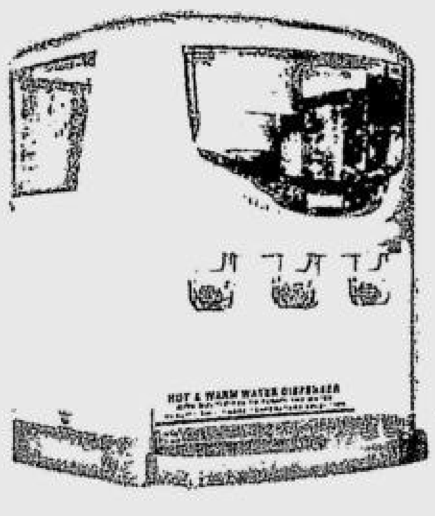
Dinette
Natural color
6 seater
P 9,600
Bed Packages
Zairra SRP P 8,500
Red Tag Prices



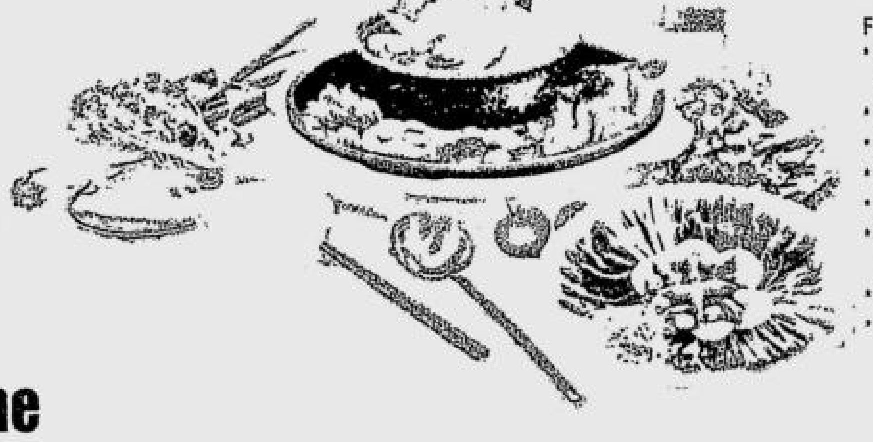
SALEM THE BED "Ang Hari Ng Tibay"
THE SM CITY NORTH EDSA
MEMBER: PANA
Salem House Located at: 3rd Flr. Interior Center, SM City North EDSA
Also Available At: Salem House South Super Highway-Makati City, SM Southmall- Las Pinas, Coastal mall- Coastal Rd, Metro Mall- Las Pinas
Per DTI-NCR Permit No.: A3-297 Series of 2001

www.jrs-express.com
Worldwide Delivery
Tel. # 817-7714/816-0282/637-2065/631-7351 to 56
Fax # 631-7357

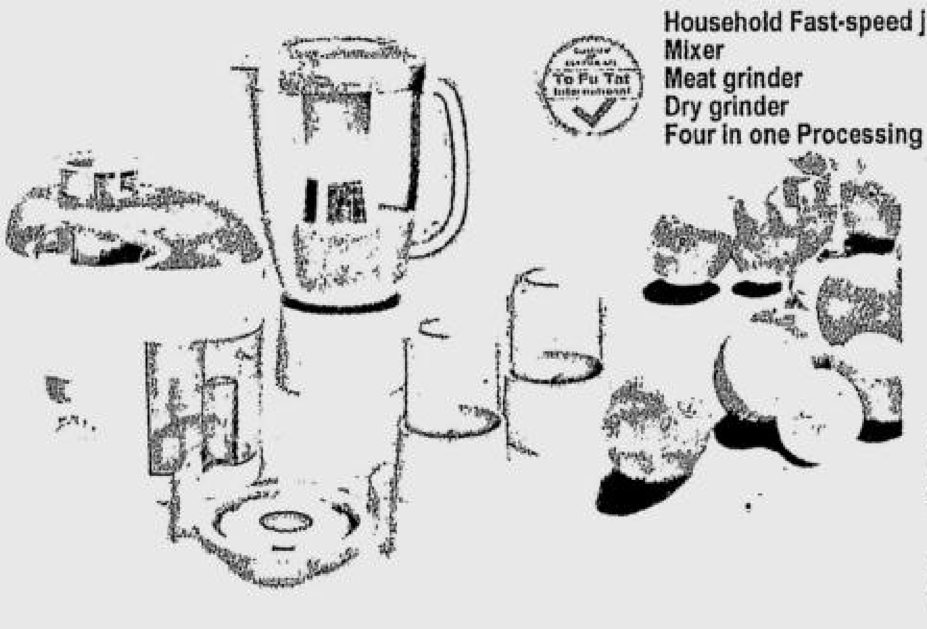
TAKAMICHI 3rd Anniversary Celebration
Kitchen Master Showcase
All 3 items at
Normal Price
~~P 12,900.00~~
Now at unbelievable
P 5,990.00
only
Please Call to make reservation for your set First call First get
Health Care, Mineralizing and Magnetic Purification Function
HEALTH CARE
Drinking mineralized water with medical stone for a long time can replenish some microelements to human body. This will strengthen human body's immunity from diseases.
IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY
The medical stone can absorb the heavy metal ions, impurities and microbe in the drinking water to improve the water quality.
MAGNETIC
The magnetic water can stimulate the appetite and get rid of diseases.
BEAUTY
The mineralized water with medical stone can adjust human body's skin organization and improve people's blood which is especially effective for removing facial spots.



2 In 1 BBQ Hot Plate With Steam Pot



Features
* Can be served as an instant boiling (SUKIYAKI), grilling and frying pot
* Minimize oil splashing
* Boiling and grilling at the same time
* Non-stick coating with glass cover
* Adjustable temperature
* Detachable design makes cleaning and storage easier
* Outer casing: Heat-Resistant Plastic
* Unique design for family and relative gathering
Multi-Function Food Processing Machine
Household Fast-speed juicer
Mixer
Meat grinder
Dry grinder
Four in one Processing Combination



Customer Service Hotline
Tel. No. 637-2330 up to 35 local 12,
for more details

or visit our website
www.aowa.com.ph

Only 300 sets available!
Where you can find us:
44-II-SF, 2nd Floor, Phase-II All Mall, Araneta Center, Cubao, Quezon City Tel. No. 421-0549
Unit No. A-98, Ground Floor, Ever Gotesco, Ortigas Complex, Ortigas Avenue Extension, Pasig City Tel. No. 656-6609
Unit No. C-18A & 18B, Ground Floor, Building C, Fiesta World Mall, Marawoy, Lipa City, Batangas Tel. No. (043) 404-1233
Unit N-16, 2nd Floor, Harrison Plaza Shopping Complex, A. Mabini & Adriatico Streets, Malate, Manila Tel. No. 526-2560
Unit Space L4-30 (Level 4) Robinsons Place, Imus, Cavite Tel. No. (046) 875-2567
Unit S-26B, 2nd Floor, Metropolis Star, South Super Highway, Alabang, Muntinlupa City Tel. No. 850-8151
Shop C, Unit No. 4, 2nd Floor, Ever Gotesco, Grand Central, Rizal Avenue Extension, Caloocan City Tel. No. 365-0329
Unit No. 210, Upper Ground Floor, Gaisano Country Mall, Banilad Road, Cebu City Tel. No. (032) 232-5002
3rd Floor, Gaisano Mall Of Davao, J. P. Laurel Avenue, Davao City Tel. No. (082) 222-6377
R-11 Ground Floor, NE Pacific Mall, KM-111 Maharlika Highway, Cabanatuan City, Nueva Ecija Tel. No. (044) 464-0124
Gaisano City Mall, 2nd Floor, Unit S-3B, Luna, Lapaz, Iloilo City Tel. No. (033) 320-8924
Module-3, 2nd Floor, M3-S06, Lim Ket Kai Center Mall, Lapasan, Cagayan De Oro City Tel. No.(088) 856-7903
Sta. Lucia East Grand Mall, Cainta Cell. No. 0917-7910445 (Ms. Liza)
Ever Commonwealth, Quezon City Cell No. 0917-8105336 (Mr. Troy)
Festival Mall, Alabang Cell. No. 0917-8105337 (Mr. Peach)
Rustan's Cubao, Quezon City Cell. No. 0917-8105339 (Ms. Jessica)
Magic Star Mall, Tarlac Tarlac Cell. No. 0917-5344580 (Mr. Arthur)
Coastal Mall, Parañaque City Cell. No. 0917-8116291 (Mr. Alvin)
Gaisano Illustre, General Santos Cell. No. 09178116292 (Mr. Ariel)
SM South Mall, Las Piñas Cell. No. 0917-7910489 (Mr. Jimmy)
Tutuban Center Mall, Manila Cell. No. 0917-7910590 (Mr. Ronaldo)

People, Events & Products

ARIES B. ESPINOSA, Assistant Editor

aespinosa@inquirer.com.ph

Maxtor becomes world's largest hard disk drive company

MAXTOR Corporation (Nasdaq: MXTR) announced the completion of its merger with Quantum HDD, a transaction that establishes Maxtor as the world's largest hard disk drive manufacturer based on annual combined unit shipments and a leader in the delivery of storage solutions and technology. combined revenues from Maxtor and Quantum HDD were approximately $6 billion in 2000.

The product range of the merger company includes hard disk drives for an array of applications including desktop PCs and advanced servers, to network attached storage solutions and consumer electronics products. Additionally, Maxtor's financial strength, excellent ability to execute, and intellectual property portfolio will allow the company to not only maintain a leadership position in hard disk drives, but also enable Maxtor to expand rapidly into new and growing storage segments.

"This merger is a historic moment for Maxtor, and we are very excited about the opportunities it offers to our customers, shareholders and employees," said Mike Cannon, president and CEO. "We now have a very broad line of products, an even stronger customer base, and the financial resources to capitalize on the growth opportunities in storage."

"There is virtually no form of technology out there that won't be touched in one way or another by storage," continued Cannon. "With the completion of the merger, we believe Maxtor is the best positioned company to provide the products, service and support that will be required to be the leader in the storage industry.

According to industry analysts, the need for storage will continue to grow aggressively among all market segments over the next few years.

"Storage is at an incredible intersection point. One where technology advancement, the emergence of networked computing architecture, and the delivery of rich media are all converging," said Crawford Del Prete, senior vice president of International Data Corporation's hardware research. "Storage has something to offer all of these areas, making it an immense opportunity for years to come. Maxtor is strategically equipped to not only capture value in its traditional HDD business, but also from its NAS and consumer electronics storage initiatives, placing them in a very strong competitive market position."

The merger is expected to provide cost savings between $120 million and $200 million annualized within 18 to 24 months. These savings will allow Maxtor to lower the breakeven point of the combined company, which will create additional financial resources that can be used for investments in developing new technologies and products to address emerging markets for storage.

HERE'S TO GOOD SPIRITS

Top executives and business partners of Ayala Life join insurance commissioner Eduardo T. Malinis in a Thai ceremony called loi krathong, a practice meant to attract positive tidings and good spirits. The ceremony was conducted during the Ayala Life Top Achievers awards night held recently at the Westin Philippine Plaza. During the Thai-themed awarding ceremony, the company feted its top business partners for their outstanding performance. The awardees will be going on a trip to Bangkok, Thailand as delegates to the 6th Asia Pacific Life Insurance Congress. Photo above shows (from left) producer of the year Ma. Lolda Meimban, branch manager of the year Tito Francisco; Ayala Insurance Companies president Alfonso L. Salcedo Jr.; Ayala Life sales director Joe Ferreria; agency manager of the year Ana Lisa Duran with commissioner Malinis during the loi krathong ceremony.

NEW PETIT MONDE GIRLS

Petit Monde, a leading teen apparel, recently signed up Jodi Santa Maria (seated right), one of the promising and fast-rising teen stars in the pool of ABS-CBN Talent Center, as one of its celebrity endorsers. She joins fellow young stars (from left) Anne Curtis and Cheska Garcia in modeling Petit Monde outfits for pictorials and for TV appearances and engaging in similar promotional activities. The three young stars were chosen for their wholesome and good-natured image. Witnessing the signing is (standing, from left) Dialeen Lim representing Petit Monde and Marichell Tan of Press Inc., the publicity arm of Petit Monde.

Super man at the SM Supermalls

TREAT Dad to a super time on Father's Day with Super Man at the SM Supermalls.

Greet Dad on his special day in PLDT's "Free Pa Long Distance Kay Tatay" and Free Txt Messaging promotion. Every single minimum P300 purchase entitles one to a free three-minute (domestic or international long distance) call on Father's Day, June 17. PLDT will provide 200 three-minute calls for all SM malls.

PLDT Txt 135 will also provide unlimited text messaging until June 17 at SM Megamall and SM City North-Edsa. Moreover, PLDT Fonecard will be providing free calls and free text messaging at all SM Malls on June 17.

Spend quality and creative -- time together with him in the Me & My Dad Figurine Painting Competition. Have fun painting mouldings from Let's Paint and get a chance to win cash prizes and giveaways on June 15 at SM Centerpoint, and SM City Pampanga on June 17.

Fathers get instant tips from great chefs on how to prepare sumptuous yet inexpensive dishes for the whole family in two cooking demonstrations -- Break Time with Dad and Good Food, Good Times with Dad.

Fried Fish with Egg Sauce, Pork Belly Dinuguan, Indian Beef Curry, Beef Liver, Apple Surprise, and Burger: Bistek Style top the menu in Break Time with Dad on Saturday, June 16 at the SM Megamall.

Chef Ben Casabon, on the other hand, will show savory dishes like Campo Carne ala Picasso, Pork Chop Adobo, Crispy Fried Chicken, and Inihaw na Spareribs can be prepared for the man of the house in Good Food, Good times with Dad. Organized by Tefal, this will be showcased on Sunday, June 17 at SM Southmall. Great prizes will be raffled off during the cooking shows which will run from 2 to 4 p.m.

It's Time Out with Dad in the Family Reader's interactive booths designed for the athletic and outgoing Dad on Sunday, May 17 at the SM Megamall.

Highlighting this activity which runs from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. is a father and son basketball shootout/tournament with special appearances of celebrity Dads.

Capping the Father's Day activities is Treat Your Dad @ SM Supermalls, entertainment and mini shows with live broadcast by Wave 89.1. These are scheduled on Saturday, June 16 at SM City North-Edsa and Sunday, June 17 at SM Southmall from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

JONELTA FOUNDATION GETS PCSO AID

Jonelta Las Piñas Indigent Foundation Inc., a charity organization founded by philanthropist Tony Tamayo, recently received financial assistance for its continuing medical missions from the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO). UPHRMC vice president for administration Menchu S. Tamayo (right) receives the check in behalf of the Jonelta Foundation from PCSO chair Ma. Livia "Honeygirl" S. de Leon. Jonelta, through Tamayo's leadership, has already served more than 42,000 families in health care, educational and livelihood programs.

BITS & Clips

Belmonte opens Playdium

QUEZON City mayor-elect Feliciano "Sonny" Belmonte will be the guest of honor at the grand opening of Playdium Bowling and Billiards, the newest bowling and billiards center located along G. Araneta Avenue on Saturday, June 16. Filipino bowling legend Bong Coo and Steve Hontiveros of the Philippine Bowling Congress will join Belmonte as they open the indoor recreational sport facilities. For more inquiries about Playdium, call 732-0289 and look for Angelo Constantino, center manager.

Envie effectiveness studied

PROSOURCE Int'l. Inc. will host a gathering of dermatologists to study the effectiveness of Envie, the Beauty Pill, today, June 15 at 6 to 9:30 p.m., to be held at Saisaki Restaurant, 4th Level Building B, SM Megamall. The guest speaker, Dr. Edward Lieskovan, professor of pharmacology at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, will discuss the essential ingredients of Envie and how they contribute to the nourishment of healthy skin. Testimonials and various studies contributed by users of the Beauty Pill will be part of the discussion. For more information, call Prosource International at 727-3948 or 727-3768.

Classical 'Romeo and Juliet'

AS A TREAT to its cardmembers, Bankard stages William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," the classic bittersweet tragedy about young love, marking the last offering of Bankard Trilogy 2001. This Shakespeare classic will run from June 15, 16, 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. with matinees on June 16, 17, 23 and 24 at the recently inaugurated Carlos P. Romulo Auditorium in the new RCBC Plaza at Ayala Avenue corner Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue in Makati. Entrance is free to all Bankard cardholders and Bankard Airmiles members. Teachers and students can watch the trilogy performances for free upon presentation of their valid IDs.

Copywriting for TV

CONTEMPLATING a career in advertising? Get a jumpstart on that thought by joining the copywriting for television workshop. This two-day workshop, scheduled for June 16 and 23, will introduce participants to the concept of visual storytelling for the production of effective and high-impact ads. The "Copywriting for TV Workshop" is organized by On-Line Video Workshops Inc. For reservations, call Mavic at 412-7895 or 412-9312. Visit its website at www.on-linevideoworkshops.com.

Free seminar on termite control

PEST-AWAY Exterminating Supply and Services, in cooperation with True Value Lifestyle Learning Center, will hold a free seminar on pest control on June 16, 23 and 30, 2 p.m. at the True Value Lifestyle Learning Center, Councourse Level, Power Plant Mall, Rockwell Center. Pest-Away gives sound advice on pre-construction treatment and other pest control services. For inquiries, call hotline 861-1887, 862-2973 and 861-3403 to 04, or log on to www.pest-away.net.

Environmental protection at YWCA

ROSARIO R. Villar, chair of the 75th anniversary celebration of the YWCA of Manila, announces the series of activities lined up for the environmental protection program this June in coordination with the Division of City Schools, Manila. On June 16, 7 to 11 a.m. is the environmental conservation parade and the launching program at the YWCA of Manila Headquarters. On June 20, 8 to 11 a.m. are the environmental contests at the YWCA of Manila Veranda, featuring a poster-making/slogan writing contest and a jingle singing/recycling contest. On June 30, a recycling exhibit and closing ceremonies and awarding of prizes will be held. The contests are open to all elementary and high school students in Manila.

Shakey's invites kids to jamboree

ON SUNDAY, JUNE 17, Captain Shakey's Mighty Club members are off to a great surprise as the club presents its very first grand get-together dubbed "Captain Shakey's Mighty Club Jamboree 2001." To be held at the Ateneo covered courts which will be transformed into a mini-activity center with several games and fun booths plus a thrilling magic show, the event is expected to draw in hundreds of its members together with new applicants for a whole day of games and meeting new friends. Joining Shakey's in the jamboree are partners Coke, Nestea Ice Tea, Nestle Ice Cream, All About Balloons and Joni's Cakes and Pastries. Also joining are Island Photo and Jack 'n' Jill's Choco Pretzels, Clubhouse, Wiggles, Roller Coaster, Mini Nips and Star Fruits.

Dialogue with SSS on 'Jobs on Air'

THE RADIO program ''Jobs on Air'' is hosting a two-and-a-half-hour dialogue with SSS chair Vitaliano Nanagas on Sunday, June 17. Nanagas will be addressing questions from the panel as well as phone-in questions from listeners. He is also expected to clarify the various issues and controversies hounding the Social Security System. The panel for the radio talk will be members and officers of PMAP along with program host, Barbie Atienza. Listeners may also call in their questions at 920-7517-19 or 414-4919. ''Jobs on Air'' is broadcast every Sunday, 3 to 5:30 p.m. over DWSS, 1494 AM.

Change management seminar

CARL Duisberg Association of the Philippines, the alumni association of former CDG scholars to Germany, in cooperation with the Carl Duisberg Gesellschaft Asean Regional Office (CDGRKO), the Southeast Asia Interdisciplinary Development Institute (Saidi) Formation Center and the LoveLife Foundation, proudly invites all registered members and human resource professionals to its seminar on Change Management on Saturday, June 16, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the SGV Hall, third floor, Asian Institute of Management Conference Center, Benavidez corner Trasierra Streets, Legaspi Village, Makati, Metro Manila. For further details, call Joey Armendi at 635-6484 or Leah Gatchalian at 635-3659.

'APPLIANCE SPLURGE AT 52'

Automatic Center's Osmond Piola (extreme left), auditor, Roberto Decena, (center), assistant vice president for marketing services, Grelly Despi (second from right), manager of AC-Greenbelt branch, and Rowena Panlilio (extreme right), advertising supervisor, conduct the draw of over 52 grand raffle winners of the "Appliance Splurge at 52" raffle promo. The draw was held recently at Greenbelt Mall with director Ferdinand Manfoste (second from left) as the official DTI representative to the draw.

POLAR AIR CARGO 3RD YEAR IN RP

Polar Air Cargo marked its third year in the Philippines will full commitment on 100-percent on-time scheduled flights, brand new Boeing 747-400s, and global networking support for its clients. Polar Air Cargo (PO) celebrated the occasion with Transglobal Terminals Inc. (TTI), its general sales agent. Shown from left is Jim Hoffman, PO senior director for corporate sales strategy; Robert Gomez, vice president, TTI; Soliman Cruz, president, TTI; Peter Hansen, PO vice president for Asia; David Sung, PO regional sales director for South East Asia; Edwick Wong, PO regional manager for Terminal Services, Asia; and Riana Chow, PO marketing officer. Polar Air Cargo is a US-based all-cargo airline that has been operating scheduled flights in the Philippines since May 1998.

BITTERLESS AMPALAYA FOR DIABETICS

The country's top nutritionists and dietitians attending the 46th Annual NDAP Convention held recently at the Manila Hotel welcomed the introduction of a bitterless ampalaya tea-like drink recommended to supplement the diet of diabetics. Dietitians say this unique product will gain a wide acceptance by diabetics of the ampalaya whose potency to lower blood sugar has been scientifically validated. This BFAD-approved ampalaya health drink is processed by Herbcare Enterprise and is now available nationwide under the brand name of Charantia. Shown are NDAP officers who visited the Charantia booth (from left): Philippine Heart Center chief dietitian Perla Esguerra, NDAP directors Zenaida Velasco, Virgith Buena, Felicidad Velandria, NDAP president Dr. Demetria Bongga, Sun Microsystem president Cynthia Mamon and Herbcare VP for consumer education Zena Remollino.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING DIVISION
Main Office: PASONG TAMO, MAKATI CITY
☎ 8972535 (Direct) ☎ 8978808 (Trunk) Fax 8974808
G/F ATRIUM BLDG., MAKATI AVENUE, MAKATI CITY
☎ 8114361 ☎ 8114370 ☎ 8114012 Fax 8925578
ALI MALL, CUBAO, QUEZON CITY
☎ 912-9008-11 Fax 912-9011
SM MEGAMALL, MANDALUYONG CITY
☎ 6350219 ☎ 6372008 Fax 6350220
G/F TRINITY BLDG., 636 T.M. KALAW ST., ERMITA, MANILA
☎ 5273342 ☎ 5280183 ☎ 5276357 Fax 5280213
ALABANG, MUNTINLUPA CITY
☎ 8506465 Fax 8506465
e-mail address: main_classifieds@inquirer.com.ph

NATIONAL CLASSIFIEDS

The Widest Reaching Classifieds

RATES
P230 per column centimeter P65 per line
(All prices exclusive of E-VAT)

DEADLINES
for reservations / cancellations / corrections
Mondays to Saturdays 12:00 noon Day before publication
Sundays 12:00 noon every Thursday

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

MEDICAL

PHYSICIAN/SURGEON

SKIN PEEL & WHITENING WARTS PIMPLES SCARS HAIRLOSS Ex SWEAT VD-STD 15 Annapolis, Greenhills Call 7276124 to 25 9am-7pm

VDSTD CLINIC T8175071 MATRINCO BLDG. 2178 PTAMO MKT 9-2pm DR. GATAN

PERSONAL

COSMETOLOGY

FACIAL SKINCARE
Training/ Workshop
8956031 L2011 or 8971832

HEALTH/FITNESS

BE SLIM 2443937

MASSAGE

ASK JAMES M/F 24 HRS SERVICES 8521874 100% HOSME

7523149 WIND OFF M/F

H-H-M-S MALE 7314018

Male #16 Palanan 7320659

NICE GUYS LTD. 4387661

VIP-M/F-8312373 09193591771

REFLEXOLOGY

D'Millenium M/F T-9347633

Reflex Luis 0917-9977030

TUTORIAL LESSONS

LALUZ 5268216/70

WESTERN TUTORIAL 7521756

HOUSEHOLD

HOUSEHOLD JOBS

• A-1 MAIDS 8330946/47

BEST MAID 7111602/7115039

Help Agency 5328376/5321947

Home Maid Specialist Call Tel. 660-4589

MAIDS wth NBI 9133005

V. Good Maids 843-7374

We have maids nurse mwife hmecare 3664375 4141135

LIPAT BAHAY

L-BAHAY 9206784 4540520

•CHEAP LBAHAY 9260424•

L-BAHAY 8383742/5447599

LBAHAY 7113540

L-BAHAY 712-16-92

L-BAHAY 712-16-92

•LIPAT•731-6833

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

COMM'L/RESD'L

PROVINCIAL

•SUBIC 9 has.+ good 4 subd 0919-2300217

HOUSE & LOT

Las Pinas/Bacoor 3BRS DP 6mo.8740486/87

LAS PINAS

•BF Res 188 3BR 2.2M• Bnew w/ 4BR 4TB 2.6M 872-6951

Semi Furnished 3BR 2TB BF Resort Vill., Las Pinas Alma 8733324

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

HOUSE & LOT

MAKATI

Magallanes H&L LA367 2Sty 4BR 13M • 643-5313

MANDALUYONG

MAJECTIC MANSION (New) 5BR w/5T&B & Balconies Wack-Wack Golf View See to appreciate ED T-721-0841; 724-8874

MARIKINA

FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE 2402 3BR FA116m² P1.25M Vic Gigie 8903461 loc. 27/25

PARANAQUE

Multi National H&L V/L 180-up • 643-5313

Tahanan Vill 300sqm P3.5M (Neg) 928-2497

Tahanan Vill 300sqm 3BR 3TB MR 4CG P5M 928-2497

PASIG

Bo Capitolyo 330m² P7M Quiet location • 671-4421

Bo Kapitolyo LA986m² Bung w/Jap Hse-Garden 6435313

GREEN PARK SUBD. 225m² w/ 7BR & 3TB FA264m² P4.5M Vic 8903461 loc. 27 & 25

Lexington Subd Terms/Cash H&L T/hses 4M up 6435313

Parcwood Pasig 753-2532 5br + Mr 0919-5889231 Rush

Pasig Greenpark Bungalow 658-2115 to 16

VV2 H&L LA743 FA351 4BR Garden-Nice • 643-5313

QUEZON CITY

2sty 5BR3TB 8M New Intra. 9301903 8am-7pm Danny

GOODWILL HMES I 246 m² 3 BR T&B 4.5 M (neg) RAMIL #09178931480/9353921

Greenmdows 4BR Den 35M Facing West Call 412-1825

LOYOLA GRAND VILLA LA401m² FA460m² 4BR 6TB Tel 4352346 0917-7062620

Mayon St. SMH-QC A-960m² Lot & Improv. 534-6610 / 818-8569 Jojo

Proj.8 296m²LA P4.5M Jipny Line • 431-4370

Sct. Area LA367sqms 4BR 2TB Maids 3Car • 931-3027

West Triangle LA434 sqms 4BRs 3TB 4Car P13.5M (Nego) • 931-3027

RIZAL

Beverly Hills Subd. Antipolo LA 650m² Hse, Area 500m² P12M 650-3393

Cuesta Verde Exec. Vill. Antipolo LA 120m² P240T Call 650-3393

Ferretville Antipolo Bungalow 3BR • 658-2115 to 16

Gloria Heights Subd. Antipolo LA 218m² Hse-Area 85m² P1.8M Call 650-3393

Mtalban 5200/mo 6495616

Valley View Exec. Cainta ovrlking MMla 658-2115/16

Valley View Exec Cainta Thse/Sgle det 658-2115/16

VISTA VERDE CHomes 1.5M 0919-8457017 • 532-4859

PROVINCIAL

Baguio Mansion Hse 4BR 2Md's Qtr 3TB 658-2115/16

GUEVENTHOMES
PANAPAAN I, BACOOR
just a stroll away from SM Mall

P10T-P17T/mo. NO D/P
531-1384
531-0390/95
(0915) 704-3888
www.guevent.com
1-800-10-RSG HOME

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

HOUSE & LOT

OTHER AREAS

CanyonWoods Btngas 7.5M ownrlvng neg0917-8143792

NoDP,2650/mo 09195898014

Upper Bicutan 195m² 4BR P1.25M Vic 8903461 loc.27

LOT

MAKATI

400m² Fort Bonifacio near golf "c" 823-0670 rush sale

MUNTINLUPA

PLEASANT VILL w/direct access rd to FILINVEST Alabang 477m² P5,500/m² Vic Gigie 8903461 loc. 27

PARANAQUE

800m² near C-5 good loc. owner leaving T823-0670

H&L 400m² UPSII Pque City Owner Leaving T823-0670

PASIG

Pasig GreenPark 200m² P5T/m² nr Malls 681-2457

QUEZON CITY

H&L 300m²/ Lot 8148m² Whse 770m² nr SM/Fview Rbson 4178698/ 4178699

Loyola Grand 600m² P8500 Call 09185079799

•XAVIERVILLE•
454m²@P24th w/fence
Off 9119637 after off 9118716

RIZAL

Antipolo 2564m² @P3T/ m² w/ Factory Rush 6812457

Antipolo City Proper Coml 1756m² v.nice 658-2115/16

Antipolo V/L 5300m² Cheap w/Fruit Trees • 643-5313

BEVERLY HILLS 924-8765

Kingsville Royale nr Marcos Hway Choice Lot 180m² P3500 Rush T9488240

Mla. East Road Taytay 667m² -1000m² 6582115/16

•SFDM QC 519 SQM 815-0298 • 0919-4037225

•Taytay 10790sqm Comml 815-0298 • 0919-4037225

Valley View Royale Cainta 150m² 3 Adjng lots 6582115/16

Vista Verde Cainta 150m² 5adj lots lots 658-2115/16

V/L Beverly Hills Subd. 615m² Cheap! • 643-5313

PROVINCIAL

1,370Has @ P60/m² Loc. Mayantoc Sta Ignacia & San Jose Tarlac Frontage: 3.84Kms Along d H-way 652-0227 • 942-6181

150Has @ P250/m² Neg. 900M Shoreline 652-0227 • 942-6181

1,700Has @ P200/m² Along D H-way other side along shoreline 652-0227 • 942-6181

Capas, Tarlac 200Has Expandable to 1,000Has @ P320/m² Frontage 1.8 Kms 652-0227 • 942-6181

Concepcion Tarlac 150Has @ P150/m² 652-0227 • 942-6181

Glenwood Subd. Calamba 309sqm Tel.# 634-1442

GOVERNOR'S DRV, CAVITE P3T/SQ, 5YRS-PAY 242-1521

Sta Rosa. 114Has @ P1,500/m² S. Super H-way 53 Has @P1,500/m² Along Barrio Road 652-0227 • 942-6181

SUBIC 96,828m² 4 subd. 047-9134120 Jhun

Tgty Volcano View 459sm Nr Highlands 641-7760/61

OTHER AREAS

635m² Bgy. Kimberly Clark San Pedro Laguna 8230670

Rawland Bataan 3-5HA P600/m² Cav 5HA 911-7940

TOWN&COUNTRY Southville 209m² P800T Vic 8903461L.27

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

CONDO/TWNHSE/APT

MAKATI

Antel Platinum Valero Mktl 40.5m² w/Prkng Lot 658-2115/16

MAKATI AVE., MILLENNIUM CONDO 1BR FF+PS P2.8M TEL: 254-9404 / 254-9397

MANILA

ALPHA GRANDVIEW-MALATE CONDO 2BR FF+PS P7.1M TEL: 254-9404 / 254-9397

MANDALUYONG

Pneer Hiland 1-3BR Sale/Rent Call 412-1825 • 0917-7914366

Various Condo/TownHse Call 5346610/8188569 Jojo

Wack2 Tower 2BR FF P6M 911-7940

PARANAQUE

Nice TH BF Resort Vil Las Pinas 1.6M 911-7940

Town Hse Sherwoods Hts. P3M 534-6610 / 818-8569

PASIG

ALEXANDRA 260SQM 17M 412-1825 / 09177914366

Ortigas S-123BR 5Yrs 0% Int. T671-2049 • 671-9651

Ortigas S-123BR Term 5Yr 0% Interst 0919-5547988

Pasig Thses 2.5 up Terms 2Sty Nice- • 643-5313 Cash

Rennaisance Condo 4 Rent 1br/2br Res. 643-5313

Rennaisance FOR SALE 1br / 2br Res. 643-5313

Rushl Renaissance 2000 DBO 2br+2tb 09178143792

QUEZON CITY

NARRA HTS. MARIPOSA 3BR 120m² nr cubao 2420922

C-5 Mindanao Ave 680T & Up / Unit 3yrs to pay 0% Int 9256340 / 09185079799

CUBAO Condo P1.3"EZ"term 9126976 9132224 4381161

TSora 3BR+1md 2TB P2.5M 2cgrge DBO 0917-8143792

54 sqm FF 3BR nr. UDMC (H)7426028 (O)3643505 Carol

OTHER AREAS

CASIMIRO TOWNHOMES
Habay, Bacoor, Cavite
near SM Bacoor
OPEN HOUSE
on Sunday, June 17
Initial DP: P15,000

WESTVILLE HOMES
Ligas, Bacoor, Cavite
Initial DP: P15,000
FORTE REALTY
2/F Princess Bldg. Esteban St, Legaspi Village, Makati City
810-7183 810-8019
815-2144 829-5081
810-7297 872-7603
871-8316
Welcome Brokers & Agents write to
forterealty@skyinet.net

AGRICULTURAL LANDS

Antipolo LA2.0Has near Masinag Mrket 658-2115/16

RESORT

BF Resort Vill Las Pinas 276m² @ P5500 874-9075

CLUB SHARE & MEMBERSHIP

Forest H Play Rts Free or Sale 250K 641-7760/61

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FACTORY/WHSE

Pasig = Warehouses 4Lease 1200 = 3600 • 643-5313

Warehouse A-1000m² Call 5346610/8188569 Jojo

FARM/FISHPEN

Mabitac 5Ha. O-Looking Along Hway 641-7760/61

REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

APARTMENT

MAKATI

1br nr Rockwell P8T 5318388

MANILA

2BR up&down 2400D Laura St P7T/mo Alan 8184277

MANDALUYONG

2 BR Apt #531-8388 P7,500

Nr. Shaw 2BR w/Tel 6.5T 822-2225

PASIG

Unit 4 Rent Pasig 531-7704

HOUSE

ALABANG

Big Lawn 3BR Mds Rm 4TB Splt Lvl 8265861

MARIKINA

Monte Vista Subd Semi Furnh P25T/mo 6503393

QUEZON CITY

4BR/4TBR 17 Mayaman T9217335

CONDO/TWNHSE

MAKATI

Nr. Buendia Stro76ng H²o New Ren. w/Tel 747-0101

MANILA

SUNSET VIEW FA127 2BR FF P30T 931-3027 Nice

MANDALUYONG

Govs Place Shaw Blvd Stud w/ Pkg 5348146/ 9136478

PASIG

Fully Fur Condo 753-2533 Mkt/Ortigas 0919-5889231

Renaissance 2000 Brand New FF w/Prkng Call 658-2115/16

QUEZON CITY

QC Twnhse Class 4BR 3TB Acsble w/ Grge 928-8862

Townhouse 20T/mo. Matahimik St. Teacher's Vill. Q.C. 929-9072 or 76

FOR LEASE

1.0 to 4.0 Has along Valley Golf Road • 658-2115 to 16

600m² along Manila East Road • 658-2115 to 16

Along Mla. East Rd. 600m² Call 658-2115/16

Lots Alng Valley Golf Rd. 1.0 to 4.0 Call 658-2115/16

ROOM & BOARD

1 Rm nr Cash&C'ry 5519467

WANTED TO BUY

FURNITURE
HOME APPLIANCES ETC.
911-8321 / 437-8159

LOAN & MORTGAGE

2 % w/out taking Car 3670169

FINANCING-EASY FAST VERY PRIVATE CONVENIENT H/L Business Personal All/ Gigle 8903461 loc. 25/23

REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

BUSINESS RENTAL

3FLOORS COM'L APT 3612663

Dental Office Space For Rent Call 7330443/0917-4051539

G/F Ayala Ave. 818-1696

Mega Plaza 30.78sqm Call 412-1825 • 0917-7914366

Mega Plaza 30m² Office 412-1825 • 0917-7914366

Mktl Off 75m²11T 822-2225

Orient Sq 150sqm @ 3250 Improved Unit 412-1825

Orient Sq. 150m² @350/m² Office Unit Call 412-1825

Orient Sq. 150m² @350/m² w/Lights Imprved Call 412-1825

Prime Office Avenida Nr. Raon Concrete Bldg. T735-6516

STORE SPACES
MALATE P25T & up
SN PEDRO LAGUNA P15T & up
50m² & up T-4006420•8086007

•Jollibee Plaza 150sqm @45T/mo 412-1825

WAREHOUSE VALENZUELA CITY 755 sqm w/ 3 separate Bldgs. see to appreciate Tel: 2915212 or 2920498

RESORT

Pansol hot spring Pvt.7767507

TRANSPORTATION FOR SALE

CARS

HONDA

94CivcESi 53T— 280T(N) 8937902

'99 Sir Fld Set-up, 16" Mags, Subs, 558T Call 925-8018

HYUNDAI

98 GRACE 280T/ 94 GRACE 225T neg. Bullbar Ladder, Carrier, Leather Seat Cover, 12 Seats 7313492

99 H100 340T 731 3492

Hyundai H100 Model 95 Call 8905926/8906133 9AM-5PM Mon-Fri

KIA

'98 BESTA P268T 7313492

99Kia GTX 178T neg 8382015

Besta P240T Neg.
671-3535 • 733-2507
Cell. 0917-8472716

MITSUBISHI

1993 MIT Galant SSaloon Auto 2Ltr 4Dr AC P195T 842-0726 • 807-1847

MITS. Pajero (red) '95 P790T T5632957 (Dona) 0919-6418189 (Al)

TOYOTA

'99 GLi A/T 430T 631-3649

JEEP/JEEPNEY/AUV

99 ISUZU CAB N CHASSIS P180T Vic 8903461 Loc. 27

BUSES/TRUCKS

ELF New MDL Canter Bongo Porter Suzuki/ H-Jet Carry Chiller L-Ace P-up/Dump FB Alum.Van Cargo 9126976

HEAVY EQUIPMENT/ TRANSPORT

mazda NISSAN HONDA
FREE CHECK UP! 8am-7pm
Goodyear NGK, Mobil Motolite, Splitfire EFI
RUBBERVOLT
36 West Ave. QC
115 Mind Ave QC 9291514

TRANSPORTATION FOR RENT

CARS FOR RENT

L3•Cars• 9273453 4538295

Starex L300 Coaster Bus Cars 631-7396 • 631-3496

9344988 L300 MB&Van

Bnew L300 8254058 8261045

BrdalMB/Vans 9296250/4535288

Van Coaster Bus 440-91-71

FXcheaprates3730584Cathy

HIAce L300 Urvan 8257135

IT/ Hiace 9136710/4333682

L300 T 4161105 / 7411356

StarexMB100HiAce9483535

SELF-DRIVE
New CARS/VANS-ALL BRANDS
ABC 5368822/3039789

STAREX L3 9121809/7268388

Udrive CARS VANS 8006595

WANTED TO BUY

We Buy Cars Vans P-Ups at High Price • 671-8191

CAR LOAN

1.5 % Fast Car Loan 3677523/24

2% w/o taking car 7262780

2% w/oTaking Car 3646928

2% w/oTaking Car 7221021

2% w/oTaking Car 3732083

GENERAL ITEMS FOR SALE

HOME APPLIANCE

REF 6&2 Dr4&6cu ft 7767507 34"TV

PETS

Collie Pups Res# 721-4686

IMPTD GUINEA PIGS, AFRICAN LOVEBIRDS T3237915 /09176030753/09195793888

Rott Champ's Grandpups 2 mo M&F P10Tup T9488240 Lab Choco Male 2yrs

SPORTING GOODS

Billiard Table Marble Top Accept C.Card 23T 25T & 30T 781-9453

B.Table B'New/Accessories (02)801-4494/802-0566

Imported Billiard 22T, 35T complete acc's. 8618714 to 16 8613123 8613125

STRIKEMASTER
Bowling & Billiards
Sales & Rentals T-9341569

WANTED TO BUY

B/SELL FUL PD EDUC PLAN 7137284•09177939632

BUYING ROLEX
others, High Price CASH CALL 09178142309/7269687

LANDBANK BOND
WE BUY 95-100%
643-5529, 0917-7922363 Ver

Buy/Pawn Diamonds T8342886

Buy / Sell / Pawn / Repair
ROLEX
Tel# 804-0484 • 834-2886

WE BUY ROLEX
5633742 5646593 09174383744

WE BUY
GOLD
HIGHEST PRICE
CALL:8390002
8390004

LOT FOR SALE
AREA- 4298 SQ.M.
MARCOS HIGHWAY
Tel. Nos. 722-1913 • 725-0335
725-7314 • 724-9371

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF WATERMAN SERVICES CORPORATION

Notice is hereby given that **WATERMAN SERVICES CORPORATION** has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Certificate of Amendment of Articles of Incorporation, shortening its corporate life to **June 30, 2001**.

Any person who may have a claim against said corporation may present the same to **MR. NORMANDO V. CENDANA** at the principal office of the Company at No. 93 Maharlika Drive, United San Pedro Subdivision, San Pedro, Laguna.

The announcement serves as notice to all parties concerned of the dissolution of said Company.

(Sgd.) NORMANDO V. CENDANA
Corporate Secretary
WATERMAN SERVICES CORPORATION

(PDI - June 15, 22 & 29, 2001)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FEMALE

MD. & Skin Therapists Call Naty / Josie 721-9227 or 28

Pre-School Teacher Pref w/ Liscence/ Board Passer BSEE Grad. 941-4361

WTD: Eng. Spk Yaya/H.Maids & Int'l Fam. Cook 660-4589

MALE/FEMALE

15 Office Personnel
In diff. position coll. grad./ Lev. P8-15T/mo. Tel. 854-8595 • 854-1166 • 0919-7910785 Look for Mr. Sierras

•18 OFFICE PERSONNELS • 18-28 yrs old, coll. grad/level, Salary P8 000-15 000/mo call Ms. Cruz 854-8595 • 854-1166

•BOOKKEEPER•
Accounting Grad. 8450733

CARE GIVER T5280722

EARN $/WK (0917)8160250

In need of ACCT., TYPING, PAYROLL CLERKS -female, single with knowledge in computers; MESSENGERS -pref with own motorcycle, CIVIL ENGRS.-newly grad., male Apply at New Leviton Hardware-162 Aurora Blvd. cor. A. Juan St., SJMM Tel. #s 725-5966; 725-1114

PUBLIC NOTICES

ANNOUNCEMENT

INVENTORY SALE
30-40% Discount on Various Industrial Suuplies - Cutting Tools; Drill Bits; Endmills; Tap Sets (Made in USA); Apex Drill Bits; Grinding Wheels (Asstd. Sizes) Mitutoyo Measuring Instruments; Weller Soldering Kits and Tips; Pneumatic Tools; Screw Drivers; Angle Grinders; Orbital Sanders; Starret Bandsaw Blades; TRW Carbide Inserts Valcor Solenoid Values and Kits; Drillon Oxy-Acetylene Welding and Cutting Tools.
Brownhills Indl Supply Corp
Unit A-115 Hillcrest Cond 1616 E.Rodriguez Sr Ave. Cubao, Quezon City 7217401;7221021;7268607

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Bulacan Residents Supervisor P25T 0917 4374432

DIVERSIFY YOUR FUNDS 09179177130 Invest now

EARN FR HOME 8531008/5252230

I made P970,000 in the last 3 months I need 25 women to train Call:Ms.Tan 5250228 or 34

RTW Ideal 4 Tiange 3738821

RTW P28Tup/caps 7274934

Work From Home 8937903

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late ISIDRO TRIBIANA SR and GLORIA TRIBIANA who died on Oct. 12, 1990 and May 20 1992 respectively is the object of extra judicial settlement of estate by and among his/her legal heirs and is entered as Doc. No. 218 Page No. 44 Book No. 235 Series of 2001 in the notarial registry of Atty. Hector B. Centeno, Notary Public Commissioned until Dec. 31, 2001 PTR No. 1973610 (PDI--June 1, 8 and 15, 2001)

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late FELICIANA VILLAVEZA was extrajudicially settled and partition among the heirs per Doc. No. 127; Page No. 26; Book No. XXV; Series of 2001 before Notary Public ANGEL R. GONZALES of Pasay City
PDI- June 8, 15 & 22, 2001

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late Fernando Z. Vicente has been extrajudicially settled among his heirs as per Doc. 109; Page 23; Book XII; Series of 2001 bef. Not. Pub. A. A. Cecilia C. Macalangay-Avila of Pasay City. (PDI- June 2,9, &16 2001)

NOTICE OF LOSS

Notice is given on the loss of SP1 Stock Cert. 5902 w/ 20,000 shares under the name of Alexander James Henshaw. If no contest is presented, new cert. will be issued.
PDI--June 8, 15 & 22,2001
Call +852 25045260

PERSONAL

Make 3 Wishes 1 Business 2 Impossible Pray 9 Hail Mary's for 9 days on the 9th day put out this ad & your wishes will come true. TY Holy Spirit & Sacred Heart of Jesus - OLC

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interest and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls - Pray for me.

This prayer was found in the fiftieth year of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In 1505 it was sent from the Pope to Emperor Charles when he was going into battle. Whoever shall read this prayer or hear it or keep it about themselves, shall never die a sudden death, or be drowned, nor shall poison take effect on them; neither shall they fall into the hands of the enemy, or shall be burned in any fire or shall be overpowered in battle.

Say for nine mornings for anything you may desire. It has never been known to fail so be sure you really want what you ask.

THANK YOU SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

THANK YOU HOLY SPIRIT

MAYNILAD WATER SERVICES, INC.
G/F MWSI Bldg., MWSS Compound,
Katipunan Road, Balara, Quezon City, Philippines 1100
Tel. Nos. (632) 927-3627, 435-4231, 920-5521 loc. 3591

INVITATION TO BID

Maynilad Water Services, Inc. (MWSI) is inviting all interested and qualified bidders to undertake the supply and delivery (on staggered basis for at least one (1) year) of:

2,107 M. T. Liquid Chlorine
(as per AWWA B301-92)

Bid documents can be secured at the Purchasing Department, Basement, MWSI Building, MWSS Compound, Katipunan Road, Balara, Quezon City, upon payment of a **non-refundable fee of Php200.00.**

A Pre-Bid Conference shall be held at the Conference Room of the Purchasing Department on June 26, 2001, Tuesday, at 2:00 p.m.

Bid Proposal shall be submitted at the Purchasing Department on or before 5:00 p.m. on July 04, 2001 (Wednesday).

(Sgd.) **LUIS M. Z. LERMA**
Manager, Purchasing Department

(PDI - June 14 & 15, 2001)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PROVINCE OF LA UNION
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JUAN
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

INVITATION TO PREQUALIFY AND TO BID

1. The Municipality of San Juan as implementing partner of the DAR for ARCP, intends to prequalified to bid for the Concrete Paving of Cacapian Barangay Road, San Juan, La Union.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT
000	Mobilization	L.S	L.S
	Bunkhouse	23.04	sq.m.
103	Structure Excavation	8,198.18	cu.m.
104	Embankment	1,160.40	cu.m.
105	Sub-Grade Preparation	7,342.32	cu.m.
200	Sub-Base Course	523.09	cu.m.
201	Aggregate Base Course	1,848.12	cu.m.
311	PCCP	1,765.62	L.M.
500	R.C. Pipe	60-pcs 0.45 m 0 RCP	L.M.
		28-pcs 0.60 m 0 RCP	L.M.
504	Grouted Rip-Rap	1,078.04	cu.m.
L.S.	Taxes	10%	L.S.
L.S	Contractor's Profit	10%	L.S.

Minimum Equipment Required:

1 unit Backhoe	Owned
1 unit Road Grader	Owned
1 unit Road Roller	Owned/Leased
1 unit Water Truck	Owned
3 units Concrete Mixer (One bagger)	Owned
Owner Type Jeep/Service Vehicle	

2. Pre-qualification (Pre-C) and bidding documents may be purchased by interested eligible bidders at the Office of the Mayor, San Juan, La Union and upon payment of nonrefundable fee of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) for each set.
3. Submission of application for pre-qualification must be received in sealed envelopes addressed to the Chairman, PBAC-ARCP, municipality of San Juan, La Union not later 5:00 p.m. on June 18, 2001.
4. The submission and opening of bids will be on July 19, 2001. No bids will be accepted later than 10:00 a.m. The bids shall be valid for a period of 120 days after bid opening and must be accompanied by a security of 2.5% bidder's bond or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
5. The PBAC-ARCP reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive and defect of formality, assume no obligations whatsoever to compensate the bidder for any expense or loss that may be incurred in the preparation of bid and acept the bid most advantageous to the government. Labor: Unskilled labor for the construction of the above mentioned project CACAPIAN-ARC, San Juan, La Union will be sourced within the community.

(Sgd.) ARTURO P. VALDRIZ
Chairman, PBAC ARCP

(PDI - June 7, 11 & 15, 2001)

NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY
Quezon City

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TENDER

The National Food Authority (NFA) wishes to announce that it will be conducting a bidding on **20 June 2001 at 1:00 PM** at the **FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER BUILDING FTI Complex, Taguig, Metro Manila,** among NFA accredited government corporations/ institutions and Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) accredited international traders/suppliers for the supply of **minimum 10,000 MT up to maximum of 54,087 MT raw cane or white can refined sugar (fines)** of any specific origin representing the Philippines' minimum access volume (MAV) allocation for the year 2001 which were tendered last 31 May 2001 under the following terms:

1. **SPECIFICATIONS**
   A. **Raw Cane Sugar (VHP)** - Of fair average quality of the current crop in bulk with Very High Polarization (VHP) minimum of 98.50 degrees/maximum of 99.40 degrees at the time of shipment and inspection at the loadport.
   B. **White Cane Refined Sugar (fines)** - Minimum polarization of 99.80 degrees, maximum color 45 ICUMSA units and maximum moisture content of 0.06%;
2. **ARRIVAL PERIOD**

ARRIVAL PERIOD	RAW CANE (VHP)	WHITE CANE REFINED (FINES)
NLT July 2001	10,000 MT min.	10,000 MT min.
	54,087 MT max.	54,087 MT max.
NLT August 2001	10,000 MT min.	10,000 MT min.
	54,087 MT max.	54,087 MT max.
01-15 September 2001	10,000 MT min.	10,000 MT min.
	54,087 MT max.	54,087 MT max.

3. **PRICE OFFER**
   Interested offerors are required to submit price offers for raw and/ or white cane refined sugar as per arrival schedule from any specific origin which must be quoted in US$/MT, C F R, F O, based on the following modes of payment:
   1. Irrevocable at sight Letter of Credit
   2. Irrevocable usance Letter of Credit, 180 days after B/L date

All interested bidders including NFA accredited government suppliers (local and foreign) are required to submit a bid bond equivalent to 10% of the total offered price in the form of Cash, Cashier's check, Manager's check, demand draft in USD issued/drawn from a reputable Metro Manila bank or an Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit issued by a reputable bank domiciled in the Philippines valid for 120 days from date of bidding.

Submission of the offer together with the bid bond will be between 12:00 noon to 1:00 PM on the tender date.

Opening of offers will start exactly at 1:00 PM. Only those approved and invited by the Bidding Committee for the supply of raw/refined sugar based on the list of NFA accredited government corporations and international traders/suppliers accredited by the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) are invited to submit sealed tenders.

The pre-bidding conference will be held on 18 June 2001 at 10:00 AM at the **FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER BUILDING FTI Complex, Taguig, Metro Manila.**

Interested bidders may secure the terms and conditions starting 15 **June 2001 (8:00 A.M. - 6:00 PM) from the Foreign Operations Division, Directorate for Marketing Operations, 5th Floor, NFA, Matimyas Bldg., 101 E. Rodriguez Sr. Ave., Quezon City** with telephone numbers 743-8696; 712-1928; 712-1572; 712-1564 and 711-7433.

Bidding documents will be available on 18 June 2001 right after the pre-bidding conference to qualified bidders/offerors upon payment of a non-refundable fee of P2,000.00.

The National Food Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals, to waive any required formality or defect therein and may accept the bid which is deemed most advantageous to the government.

(Sgd.) **VICENTE V. RACHO**
Chairman, PBAC and
Assistant Administrator

(PDI--June 15, 16 & 17, 2001)

Visit us at our website
www.jobmarketonline.com

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL MEDICINE
DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY
HEALTH SCIENCES CAMPUS
UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER
Dasmariñas, Cavite
Tel. # (046) 416-0226 loc. 296

The Department of Internal Medicine is now accepting APPLICANTS for its 3-year PCP Accredited Residency Training Program for SY 2001.

For more information please call:

Dr. Artemio F. Pilar, Jr. (Chief Resident)
Cell. No. 0917-9982955

Ms. Nhecie A. Narvaez (Dept. Secretary)
Tel. No. (046) 4160226 loc. 296 - Medicine Office
Cell. No. 0917-5025280

MAYNILAD WATER SERVICES, INC.
G/F MWSI Bldg., MWSS Compound
Katipunan Road, Balara, Quezon City, Philippines 1100
Tel. Nos.: (632) 927-3627, 435-4231, 920-5521 loc. 3591

NOTICE OF LOST MAYNILAD WATER RECEIPTS

Notice is hereby given to the public, especially customers of MAYNILAD WATER SERVICES, INC. within the jurisdiction of its Roosevelt Branch office, regarding the loss/theft of seven books of receipts of follows;

Batch No.		
	221-05-9170	Linao, La Loma
	105-05-8760	Mayon, La Loma
	336-22-4480	Quirino Highway, Baesa
	107-05-8780	Hernani, Retiro, Kanlaon, Mayon
	70-07-8320	Samson Rd, Kaingin, Sampaguita, Balintawak
	97-05-8660	Calavite, Halcon, Baco, La Loma

Customers are warned to refrain from transacting business with any person using *MWSI Official Water Receipt* of the above mentioned books. Any transaction involving the said books shall not be honored.

The public is likewise enjoined to report immediately to MWSI any person posing at its **collector/representative using the said MWSI Official Water Receipt.**

For further inquiry, the public may call the MAYNILAD WATER HOTLINE 1626 or 413-8555, 413-8556 and 413-8559.

(Sgd.) **EDNA PAGUNTALAN**
Manager, Roosevelt Branch

(PDI--June 15, 2001)

GIA
THAILAND CAMPUS

Gemological Institute of America
Learn the principles of quality Jewelry Design from the world's #1 gemological institute

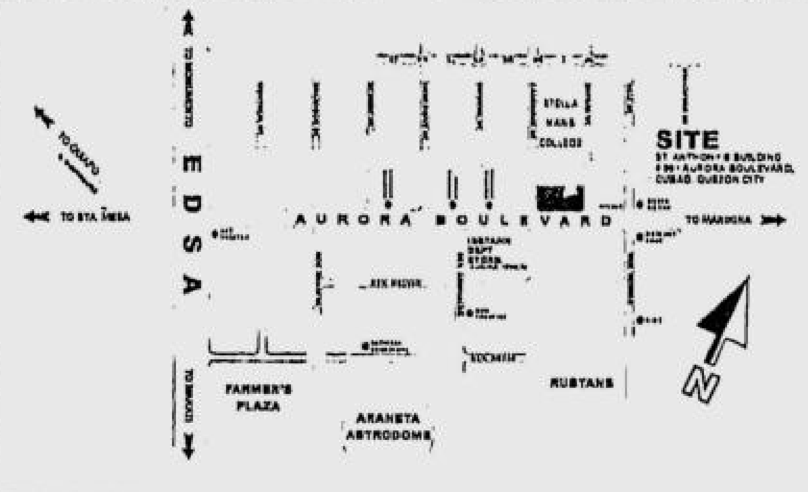
Jewelry Design Class

Step-by-Step, Develop the skills needed to create and illustrate designs for a variety of jewelry in full color and fine detail

NO artistic training or experience required
Next Jewelry Design Class starts July 30, 2001

GIA Thailand Campus

Tel: (662) 237-9575 to 77
Fax: (662) 236-9829
giathai@ksc15.th.com
www.giathailand.com



INQUIRER Classified Ads Cubao branch SOON to open in Aurora Boulevard.

OBITUARIES

Message of Thanks

We, the family of the late

PASCUAL A. VERON CRUZ

who joined our Lord and Creator
on June 4, 2001

extend our sincerest gratitude to all those who commiserated with us and with their kindness and compassion, comforted us in our time of grief.

Thank you very much and may the Lord God bless you all.

Atty. Quirina S. Banusing

of San Jose, Antique

Peacefully joined her Creator
on June 13, 2001 at the age of 95.

Her remains lie in state at the residence of **Judge** and **Mrs. Emilio B. Legaspi** at Bantayan, San Jose, Antique.

Her relatives and friends request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Interment will be at 1:30 p.m., June 16, 2001 after the Holy Mass at the San Pedro Catholic Church.

EDUARDO MENDIGORIN

Born on March 19, 1918 in San Isidro, Cabangan, Zambales, Philippines to the late spouses *Agustin Dagnal Mendigorin* and *Maria Dache Miranda.*

He passed away on May 30, 2001 at the age of 83 at NSW, Australia and interred on June 09, 2001 at Pinegrove Memorial Park, Eastern Creek, NSW, Australia.

Surviving him are his wife Juana C. Del Rosario; his children Edna and Cenen, Eduardo, Jr. and Julie, Cesar and Nila, Mario and Cora, and Raul and Lita; his grandchildren Emy and Art, Chona, Michelle and Mark, Mayette and Ruel, Joey, Joanna and Warren, Ted and Dennis, Norman and Vladimir, Abigail, Asher and Paul; great grandchildren Lauren, Marty, Joey and David and brothers Abdon, Jose, David and Joel; and other relatives and friends.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace,
whose mind stayed on thee: because he trusteth in Thee."
Isaiah 26:3

An obituary with a picture can be a fitting tribute to your departed loved one.
Always caring... **INQUIRER OBITUARIES**

WE ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS
and bank-to-bank payments

OBITUARY REQUIREMENTS: ❶ Copy of Death Certificate ❷ Any identification document (I.D.)

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT • MESSAGE OF THANKS • DEATH ANNIVERSARY • REQUIEMS • FREE OBIT DESIGN

For the needs of your departed Loved Ones the following establishments can help you.

ARLINGTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL
12 G. Araneta Avenue, Quezon City Tels.
715-1025; 715-1031; 715-1027
ARLINGTON EAST
Raymundo St. cor. Mercedes Ave., San Miguel, Pasig City
Tels. 640 2145 • 640-2975
CAPITOL MEMORIAL CHAPELS INC.
1305 G. Araneta Avenue, Quezon City Tel. 732-0309; 732-1095
CEBU ROLLING HILLS MEMORIAL CHAPELS INC.
Cebu Branch: A.S. Fortuna Street, Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu
Tels. 346-2543, 346-2601
COSMOPOLITAN FUNERAL HOMES, INC.
Nivel Hills, Lahug, Cebu City Tels. 231-0721; 231-3192

COSMOPOLITAN FUNERAL HOMES, INC.
Camus Ext. cor. J. Abad Santos, Davao City • Tels. (082) 227-1201; 227-1258
DON BOSCO CHAPELS
Pasay Road, Makati City Tel. 894-5932 to 34
DULCE MEMORIAL SERVICES
Jose Abad Santos Ave. cor. Dinalupihan St., Manuguit, Manila
Tels. 712-5102, 741-5125, 741-5133 • Fax No. 711-3064
FLORESCO FUNERAL HOME
219 Gen. Luna St., Concepcion, Malabon, Metro Manila
Tels. 2812963, 2813034, 2810522
FUNERARIA PANGILINAN
Santo Entierro cor. P. Burgos St., Lourdes Sur, Angeles City
(045) 322-5247 ; (045) 888-2958

GARDEN OF MEMORIES MEMORIAL PARK
Calsadang Bago, Pateros, Metro Manila Tels. 642-6181 to 82
HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL CHAPELS
Sucat, Parañaque City Tels. 825-1296, 825-1291
LA FUNERARIA LAWRENCE BAQUIRAN
#27 Crisologo St., Vigan, Ilocos Sur
Tel. 722-2730, Cell (0917) 5680136 ; (0917) 5680145
LA FUNERARIA PAZ, INC.
1501 C.M. Recto Ave. cor. T. Mapua, Manila
Tels. 711-6031 to 35; 732-4795
LA FUNERARIA PAZ, INC.
143 G. Araneta Ave. cor. Kaliraya St., Quezon City
Tels. 749-3806 to 11
LA FUNERARIA PAZ, INC.
78 Naguilian Rd., Baguio City Tel. (074) 443-3337

LOYOLA MEMORIAL CHAPELS
EDSA cor. Bernardino St., Guadalupe, Makati City
Tel. 895-1011 to 19
MARIAN MEMORIAL CHAPELS
Marcos Hiway, Antipolo, Rizal
Tels. 645-1855, 682-0209, 682-0210
NACIONAL MEMORIAL HOMES
264 G. Araneta Avenue, Quezon City
Tels. 713-5231 to 35, 714-0867, 714-0868
ROLLING HILLS MEMORIAL CHAPELS INC.
Ground Flr. Rolling Hills Chapel, 27th-Lacson St.
Mandalagan, Bacolod City
Tel. 433-7132
RIZAL FUNERAL HOMES
438 Cementina St., Pasay City Tels. 831-1204

SANTUARIO DE SAN JOSE PARISH
East Greenhills, Mandaluyong City • Telefax 724-4139, 725-2044
ST. ALPHONSUS MARY DE LIGOURI PARISH
Magallanes Village, Makati City Tels. 852-8226; 852-7284
ST. MARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL
16-15 G. Tuazon cor. Loreto St., Sampaloc, Manila
Tels. 749-3679; 781-1772
ST. PETER FUNERAL HOMES
296 Quezon Ave., Quezon City • Tels. 372-5084, 410-9286 / 87
VERONICA MEMORIAL HOMES
Official NBI Morgue
517-A Arnaiz St., Pasay City
Tels. 831-3797, 844-7846, 843-1801, 845-4836
MT. SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL
Arellano St., Dagupan City
Tels. (075) 515-5960, 515-6529, (0919) 348-7131

Classified Advertising Division
Main Office: PASONG TAMO, MAKATI CITY
☎ 8972535 (Direct) ☎ 8978808 (Trunk) Fax 8974808
ATRIUM, MAKATI CITY
☎ 8114361 ☎ 8114370 ☎ 8114012 Fax 8925578
ALI MALL, CUBAO, QUEZON CITY
☎ 912-9008-11 Fax 912-9011
SM MEGAMALL, MANDALUYONG CITY
☎ 6350219 ☎ 6372008 Fax 6350220
G/F TRINITY BLDG., 636 T.M. KALAW ST., ERMITA, MANILA
☎ 5273342 ☎ 5280183 Fax 5280213
ALABANG, MUNTINLUPA CITY
☎ 8506465 Fax 8506465
e-mail address: main_classifieds@inquirer.com.ph

OBITUARIES

RATE
P230 per column centimeter
(All prices exclusive of E-VAT)

DEADLINE
for reservations / cancellations / corrections
Monday to Sunday
12:00 noon
Day before publication

SPEAKER FELICIANO BELMONTE, JR.
and the
MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
announce with deep sorrow the untimely death
of a distinguished colleague

HONORABLE RODOLFO E. AGUINALDO

Congressman, 3rd District, Cagayan
1998 - 2001

who joined his Creator
on Tuesday, 12 June 2001, at the age of 54.

His remains lie in state at the family residence
at Libag, Tuguegarao City.

Interment will be on Saturday, June 16, 2001, at the
Tuguegarao Catholic Cemetery after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at the
Sto. Niño Church, San Gabriel, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan.

We request the pious readers and friends to pray
for the eternal repose of his soul.

Card of Thanks

We, the family of the late

LUISA ASISTIO DAVID

Who died on May 18, 2001

wish to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to you who condoled with us, offered Mass and Prayers, visited and kept vigil, sent flowers and notes of sympathy, attended the Holy Mass and funeral rites and in many other ways helped and comforted us in our hour of bereavement.

We hope that you continue to remember our beloved "Nanay" in your prayers.

Sons & Daughters of David Family.

Card of Thanks

We, the family of the late

Joselita Cruz-Magcase

who died on May 29, 2001

wish to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to you who condoled with us, offered Mass and prayers, visited and kept vigil, sent flowers and notes of sympathy, attended the Holy Mass, novena and funeral rites and in many other ways helped and comforted us in our hour of bereavement.

We hope that you continue to remember our dearly beloved *Mama* in your prayers.

Jun Magcase and **Family**.

CHRISTOPHER "Chris" LOZA MONFORT

May 29, 1959 -- June 12, 2001
Chris joined his Creator at the age of 42.

His loving wife **Gina**; children **Carlos** and **Zico**; brothers and sisters with their spouses **Manuel** and **Nanette**, **Raphael**, **Robert** and **Elvira**, **Johnny**, **Alfonso** and **Cecile**, **Michael** and **Jacqui**; **Cecilia** and **Alfonso Milanes**, **Maribel** and **Brian Bermingham**; mother-in-law **Rosario Joson**; brothers- and sisters-in-law **Dominic** and **Cynthia Lo**, **John Jay** and **Sonia de Castro**, **Rene** and **Tina Clemente**, **Sonny** and **Aileen Joson**, **Paul**; nephews, nieces, relatives, friends and colleagues in the **Ateneo Football Association** and **Football Federation of the Philippines** request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

His remains lie in state at the Ateneo High School Chapel.

Interment will be on Saturday, June 16, 2001 at the Loyola Memorial Park, Marikina after the 8:00 a.m. Mass at the Ateneo High School Chapel.

IRENE REDOBLE CASABAR

Retired School Teacher

Died in the Grace of our Lord
on June 13, 2001 at the age of 95.

Her bereaved husband (†) **Simeon Pena Casabay**; children and their spouses, **Trifonio (Boyet)** and **Aura Casabar**, **Levy** and **Sixto Fontano**; and grandchildren, **Willie & Marie Fontano**, **Clarisse & Vic Delariarte**, **Stella & Eddie Fowlkes**, **Lynda & Mark Northcross** great grandchildren and all relatives request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Her remains lie in state at La Funeraria Paz, Chapel-9 G. Araneta Ave., Quezon City.

Cremation will be on Saturday, June 16, 2001 at La Funeraria Paz Crematory at 6:00 p.m. Holy Mass will be held prior to cremation.

ANTONIO A. PUYA

Died in the Grace of our Lord on June 12, 2001 at the age of 81 in Queensland, Australia and Cremation on June 15, 2001.

We, his family and dear friends whose lives he has touched by his love, concern, kindness and generosity, request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

We will surely miss him and the memories of his great love will forever remain in our hearts.

WE DESIGN OBITUARIES FOR FREE.

Conti's
SPECIALTY FOODS INC.
Express their deepest sorrow at the passing of

NAIDA ORENDAIN CONTI

Who peacefully joined our Lord on June 12, 2001 at the age of 76.

Her remains lie in state at Holy Trinity Memorial Chapels, Sucat, Parañaque City.

Interment will be on Sunday, June 17, 2001 at the Manila Memorial Park, Sucat, Parañaque after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Holy Trinity Chapel.

The pious readers are requested to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

An obituary with a picture can be a fitting tribute to your departed loved one.

Always caring... **Inquirer Obituaries**
Call us at 897-2535

We know that God raised the Lord Jesus from death. He will raise us to life with Jesus. He will present us, along with you, to God.

2 Cor. 4:14

What's new about Nolco

By Herminigildo G. Murakami Jr.
SGV & Co.

TAX-FILES

ONE of the new features introduced by the Tax Reform Act of 1997 is the provision on net operating loss carry-over, more popularly known as Nolco.

This provision is a welcome development as far as taxpayers are concerned because it reduces income tax liability. Unfortunately, there are ambiguities in the law that have to be addressed for taxpayers to fully enjoy its benefits.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue recently came up with the final draft of the Revenue Regulations implementing the Tax Code provisions on Nolco.

Below is a summary of the principles and policies embodied in the draft regulations:

The net operating loss that can be carried over and used as a deduction in the next three consecutive taxable years is limited to the excess of allowable deductions (excluding Nolco) over gross income in a taxable year.

Thus, it would seem that the BIR would allow taxpayers to deduct Nolco in a particular taxable year to the extent that it will not result in a net loss for the year. This prevents taxpayers from extending its Nolco.

Only net operating losses incurred from Jan. 1, 1998 may be carried over as a deduction in the next three succeeding taxable years.

Thus, for taxpayers who are reporting income on a fiscal year basis, only a ratable portion of net operating loss, if any, shown in the Consolidated Annual Income Tax Return for fiscal year ended 1998 can be carried over as Nolco in the next succeeding three fiscal years.

To illustrate, a taxpayer who reported a net operating loss of P 1.2 million in fiscal year ended March 31, 1998 shall be allowed to carry-over the amount of P300,000 (P1.2 million x 3 months/12 months) as Nolco in the next three succeeding fiscal years.

Net operating losses incurred in a taxable year during which the taxpayer was exempt from income tax cannot be carried over to the succeeding taxable years.

Net operating losses incurred by BOI-registered enterprises from registered activities are not allowed as Nolco deduction from gross income derived from unregistered business activities.

Net operating loss incurred in a taxable year may be carried over only in the next succeeding three taxable years.

Nolco shall be utilized on a "first in, first out" basis.

Nolco is not transferable to another taxpayer, except in the following instances:

- Merger of two or more corporations.

The Nolco of the absorbed corporation may be transferred or assigned to the surviving corporation, if the stockholders of the absorbed corporation gain control (75 percent or more) of the surviving corporation.

- Consolidation of two or more corporations.

The Nolco of any one of the constituent corporations may be transferred or assigned to the consolidated corporation if the stockholders gain control (75 percent or more) of the consolidated corporation.

- Combination of two or more taxpayers.

The Nolco of any one of the constituent taxpayers may be transferred or assigned to the combined entity if the same constituent taxpayer gains control (75 percent or more) of the combined entity.

Nolco shall be allowed as a deduction from the gross income of the same taxpayer that sustained and accumulated it regardless of the change in ownership. In case of merger, the surviving entity is allowed to utilize the Nolco that it accumulated prior to the merger.

All taxpayers subject to normal income tax or preferential tax rates under the Tax Code on their taxable income are allowed to claim deduction of the Nolco, except the following:

- Individuals earning purely compensation income;
- Non-resident alien individuals not engaged in trade or business within the Philippines;
- Non-resident foreign corporations;
- Offshore banking unit (OBU) of a foreign banking corporation;
- Foreign currency deposit unit (FCDU) of a domestic or foreign banking corporation;
- Enterprises registered with the Board of Investments with respect to its BOI-registered activity enjoying the income tax holiday;
- Enterprises registered with the Philippine Economic Zone Authority pursuant to RA No. 7916, as amended, with respect to its Peza-registered business activity;
- Enterprises registered under the Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992, e.g., SBMA-registered enterprises, with respect to its registered business activity;
- Foreign corporations engaged in international shipping or air carriage business in the Philippines; and
- Any person, natural or juridical, enjoying exemption from income tax pursuant to the provisions of the Tax Code or any special law with respect to its operation during the period for which the aforesaid exemption is applicable.

Its accumulated net operating losses incurred or sustained during the said period shall not qualify for purposes of the Nolco.

An individual engaged in trade or business or in the exercise of profession who claims the 10 percent optional standard deduction shall not simultaneously claim deduction of Nolco.

For mines other than oil and gas wells, a net operating loss without the benefit of incentives provided for under the Omnibus Investment Code of 1987, as amended, incurred in the first 10 years of operation may be carried over as a deduction from taxable income for the next five taxable years following the loss.

Nolco shall be allowed as deduction in computing the taxpayer's income taxes per quarterly and annual final adjustment returns.

The Nolco shall be separately shown in the taxpayer's income tax return. The unused Nolco shall be presented in the Notes to the Financial Statements showing, in detail, the taxable year in which the net operating loss was incurred and the amount claimed as Nolco deduction.

Failure to comply with this requirement will disqualify the taxpayer from claiming the Nolco.

These principles and policies provide valuable insights on the proper use of Nolco. However, until these are embodied in Revenue Regulations, taxpayers are advised to exercise extra caution in applying these.

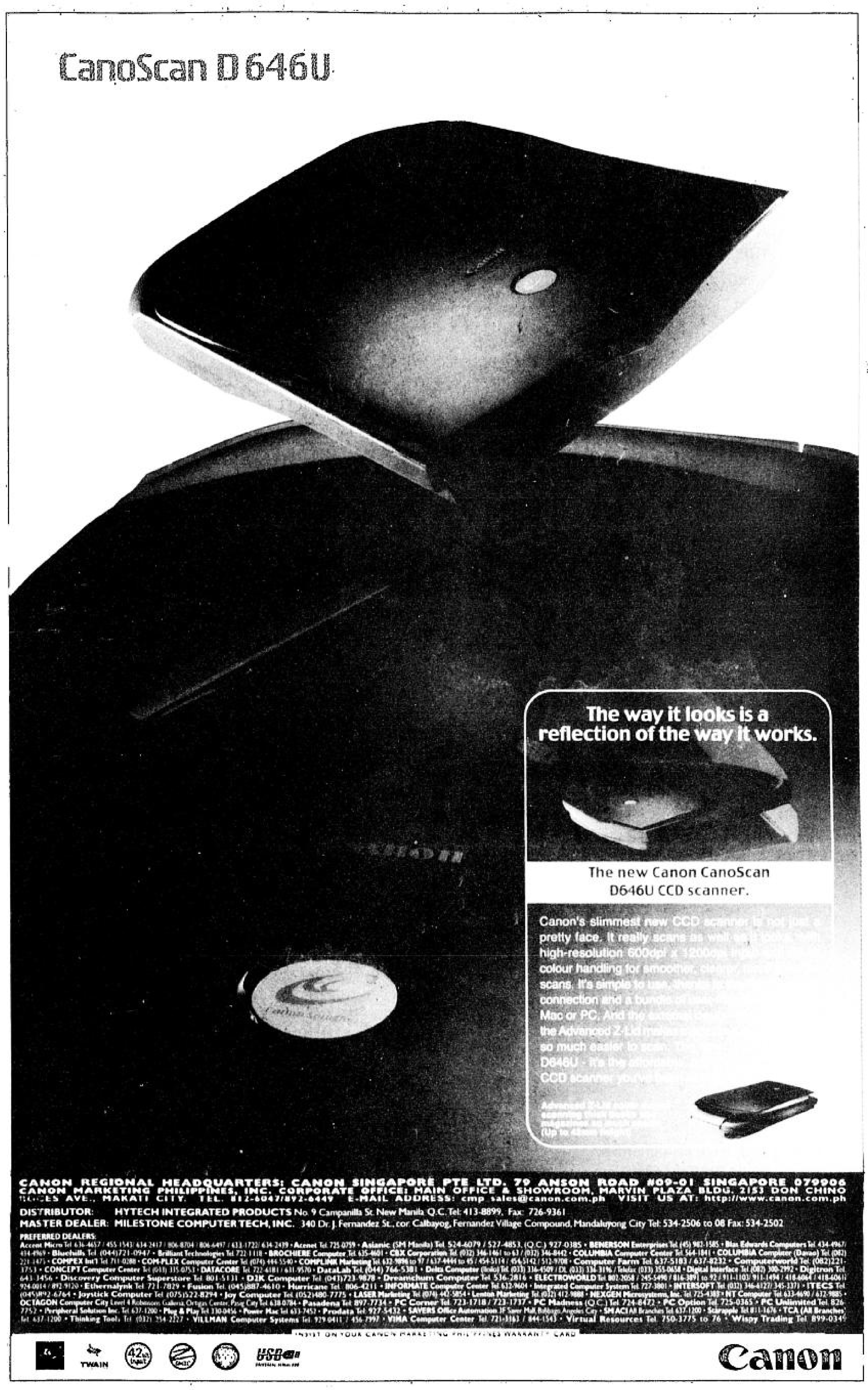
New ad campaign tugs at Pinoy heartstrings

IN a land where Coca-Cola is commonly offered as a symbol of hospitality in even the humblest home, a new campaign by the soft drink company goes back to the basics—to tug at Filipino heartstrings.

The campaign is called "Sarap ng Buhay," which is a local adaptation of an also new global Coca-Cola campaign declaring that "Life Tastes Good." Both are what company officials call "celebratory" campaigns and feature TV, radio, outdoor and print advertisements extolling simple moments made more special by, well, simply having a Coke.

Whether the ads show siblings on a no-frills trip to their home province, or coming to life when a waiter arrives with ice-cold Cokes after an all-night "gimik," the stories all underscore the special role Coca-Cola plays in the lives of real people, in the Philippines as elsewhere.

Storytelling has always been at the heart of the brand acknowledged as the most famous in the world. The development of the "Sarap ng Buhay" campaign, on the other hand, demonstrates the company's ability to combine the best of local and worldwide perspectives: the overall conceptual framework was crafted in the company's headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, but the local campaign came to life using entirely Filipino talent.



CanoScan D 646U

The way it looks is a reflection of the way it works.

The new Canon CanoScan D646U CCD scanner.

CANON REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: CANON SINGAPORE PTE LTD. 79 ANSON ROAD #09-01 SINGAPORE 079906
CANON MARKETING PHILIPPINES, INC. CORPORATE OFFICE: MAIN OFFICE & SHOWROOM, MARVIN PLAZA BLDG. 2153 DON CHINO ROCES AVE., MAKATI CITY. TEL. 812-6047/892-6449 E-MAIL ADDRESS: cmp sales@canon.com.ph VISIT US AT: http://www.canon.com.ph
DISTRIBUTOR: HYTECH INTEGRATED PRODUCTS No. 9 Campanilla St. New Manila Q.C. Tel: 413-8899, Fax: 726-9361
MASTER DEALER: MILESTONE COMPUTER TECH, INC. 340 Dr. J. Fernandez St., cor. Calbayog, Fernandez Village Compound, Mandaluyong City Tel: 534-2506 to 08 Fax: 534-2502

PREFERRED DEALERS:
Accent Micro Tel 636-4657 / 455-1543/ 634-2417 / 806-8704 / 806-6497 / 633-1722/ 634-2439 • Acenet Tel. 725-0759 • Asianic (SM Manila) Tel. 524-6079 / 527-4853, (Q.C.) 927-0385 • BENERSON Enterprises Tel. (45) 982-1585 • Bias Edwards Computers Tel. 434-4967/ 434-4969 • Bluehills Tel. (044)721-0947 • Brilliant Technologies Tel. 722-1118 • BROCHIERE Computer Tel. 635-4601 • CBX Corporation Tel. (032) 346-1461 to 63 / (032) 346-8442 • COLUMBIA Computer Center Tel. 564-1841 • COLUMBIA Computer (Davao) Tel. (082) 221-1475 • COMPEX Int'l Tel. 711-0280 • COM-PLEX Computer Center Tel. (074) 444-5540 • COMPLINK Marketing Tel. 632-9896 to 97 / 637-4444 to 45 / 454-5114 / 454-5142 / 512-9708 • Computer Farms Tel. 637-5183 / 637-8232 • Computerworld Tel. (082)221-3753 • CONCEPT Computer Center Tel. (033) 335-0753 • DATACORE Tel. 722-6181 / 631-9570 • DataLab Tel. (044) 766-5381 • Delta Computer (Iloilo) Tel. (033) 336-4509 / DL (033) 336-3196 / Telefax (033) 335-0658 • Digital Interface Tel. (082) 300-2992 • Digitron Tel. 643-3456 • Discovery Computer Superstore Tel. 801-5131 • D2K Computer Tel. (047)723-9878 • Dreamchum Computer Tel. 536-2816 • ELECTROWORLD Tel. 802-2058 / 245-5490 / 816-3891 to 92 / 911-1103/ 911-1494 / 418-6064 / 418-6061/ 924-0014 / 892-9120 • Ethernalynk Tel. 721-7829 • Fusion Tel. (045)887-4610 • Hurricane Tel. 806-4211 • INFORMATE Computer Center Tel. 632-9604 • Integrated Computer System Tel. 727-3801 • INTERSOFT Tel. (032) 346-6127/ 345-3371 • ITECS Tel. (045)892-6764 • Joystick Computer Tel. (075)522-8294 • Joy Computer Tel. (052)480-7775 • LASER Marketing Tel. (074) 442-5854 • Lenton Marketing Tel. (032) 412-9888 • NEXGEN Microsystems, Inc. Tel. 725-4387 • NT Computer Tel. 633-4690 / 632-9885 • OCTAGON Computer City Level 4 Robinsons Galleria, Ortigas Center, Pasig City Tel. 638-0784 • Pasadena Tel. 897-7734 • PC Corner Tel. 723-1718 / 723-1737 • PC Madness (Q.C.) Tel. 724-8472 • PC Option Tel. 725-0365 • PC Unlimited Tel. 826-7752 • Peripheral Solution Inc. Tel. 637-1200 • Plug & Play Tel. 330-0456 • Power Mac Tel. 633-7452 • Prodata Tel. 927-5432 • SAVERS Office Automation 3F Saver Mall, Balibago, Angeles City • SM ACI All Branches Tel. 637-1200 • Starapple Tel. 811-1676 • TCA (All Branches) Tel. 637-1200 • Thinking Tools Tel. (032) 254-2227 • VILLMAN Computer Systems Tel. 929-0411 / 456-7997 • VIMA Computer Center Tel. 721-3163 / 844-1543 • Virtual Resources Tel. 750-3775 to 76 • Wispy Trading Tel. 899-0349

INSIST ON YOUR CANON MARKETING PHILIPPINES WARRANTY CARD

Canon

Spot the difference.

848-2747 849-2747

Answer: Our number has changed from the one on the left to the one on the right. Starting today, call us at 849-2747 for your reservations.

Fly Cathay Pacific. The Heart of Asia.

www.cathaypacific.com

CATHAY PACIFIC

LAGUNA BELAIR

STA. ROSA, LAGUNA

The country's most successful community welcomes you with spectacular new homes packed with more features and value.

BEST Value
BEST
Satisfaction

Laguna BelAir I & II
PHASES 1 TO 5
Sold Out

Laguna BelAir III
PHASE 1
Now on Sale

Also available: Lots from 120 to 260 SQM

Best Selling Designs Made Even Better

Choose from seven new, improved designs giving you more space, higher ceilings and bigger floor areas. And the utmost in comfort— with big new add-ons including a porch, maid's room, second floor toilet-bath,an enhanced kitchen layout and provision for a carport.

Convenience to the Workplace

World-class industrial estates and manufacturing plants of leading corporations are your neighbors, so work is just a few minutes away. The Alabang-Muntinlupa business hub is less than an hour's drive away via the Metro Skyway. And there's a village shuttle bus to take you straight to your office in Makati.

LAGUNA BELAIR

Village Shopping at Its Best

Village shops are conveniently located around the community to cater to your immediate needs. And the Laguna BelAir Commercial Center and The Strip along Rodeo Drive will soon bring banks, fast food, clinics, mini-supermarkets and cinemas within easy reach.

A School of Your Own

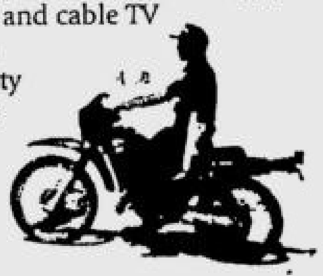
Laguna BelAir is right in the middle of an excellent academic environment. A DECS-accredited science high school, the Laguna BelAir School offers an advanced curriculum oriented towards science, math and information technology. Also close by are prestigious schools like Brent School, La Salle, Don Bosco and University of Asia and the Pacific.

365 Days of Leisure

A pristine leisure park hidden away within the village walls, bursting with water features and lush greenery, promises endless pleasures— from a lagoon for boating and fishing to a children's playground, an aviary, a flower and butterfly garden, covered walkways and viewing decks.

A Complete, Self-sufficient Community

State-of-the-art infrastructure, maintenance and security systems are in place to assure you of totally worry-free living— along with uninterrupted power and water supply and easy telephone and cable TV connections. And a professional property management group keeps your community well maintained and secure.



HLURB License to Sell No. 00165-R4-00-02

MEMBER:
PANA

A Premier Township Development of:

Empire East

21/F The World Centre, 330 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, Philippines
Tels: (632) 867-8011 (Direct Line) • 867-8937 • 867-8938 • 867-8941 (Trunk Lines)
Fax: (632) 867-8039 E-mail: sales1@eelhi.com.ph

www.empire-east.com.ph

FOR FEEDBACK, TEXT US AT (0919) 661-2337 OR E-MAIL US AT LIFESTYLE@INQUIRER.COM.PH

LIFESTYLE Home

CHELO BANAL-FORMOSO, Editor ◘ MARGE C. ENRIQUEZ, Subsection Editor

Filipino designers win top award in New York

LIFE-STYLED

Thelma Sioson San Juan

AMID THE GLOOM-AND-DOOM news about the Philippines, Filipino furniture and furnishing designers did something in New York that did us proud—they won a top award in the prestigious 2001 International Contemporary Furniture Fair (ICCF). They beat more than 600 entries from all over the world, including design stalwarts Italy, France and the United States. The Fair was held at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center. (So readers will please bear with me if I go longer than usual in this column—it's a good news we all can use at this time.)

Movement 8—by now a known brand name for these pioneering designers—got the 2001 ICCF Editors Awards given by a panel of foremost US and international editors. The awards panel was composed of the editors of Elle Décor, the cutting-edge Wallpaper, Interni, House Beautiful, Abitare, Domus, House & Garden, Interior Design, Metropolitan Home, Intramuros, Frame and Metropolis.

Actually for the past year, Movement 8 has been winning acclaim in the design fairs it has joined worldwide, notably in Paris, Milan, Germany and Spain.

Curiously, as People Power II was under way here last January, Movement 8 was getting rave reviews in the Cologne fair and was being featured in the top TV stations in Europe, including CNN. But we were too wrapped up in our turmoil to notice.

Last May (19-22, to be exact), as we coped with the fall-out of rebellion, these designers did it again abroad. Mayhem at home, honor abroad—an irony not lost on us lucky enough to have been with the Movement 8 in New York.

Movement 8 is the result of the valiant efforts of the Center for International Trade Expositions and Missions (Citem) led by **Araceli (Eli) Pinto-Mansor** and leading designer-artist **Budji Layug**. For decades now, these two have actually been at the forefront of Philippine design—separately—Eli as a government bureaucrat who, without burnout, has steadfastly egged on designers, including our couturiers, to innovate on and showcase their craft, and provided the market fairs to do it, and Budji as an interior and furniture designer whose exported works had long been acclaimed pieces in Bloomingdales and other US retail stores. Of course, Budji is also sought after for his architecture and home design here.

FILIPINO/p.C3

WHAT'S ON AT ROBINSONS

MORE FAMILY FUN WEEKENDS

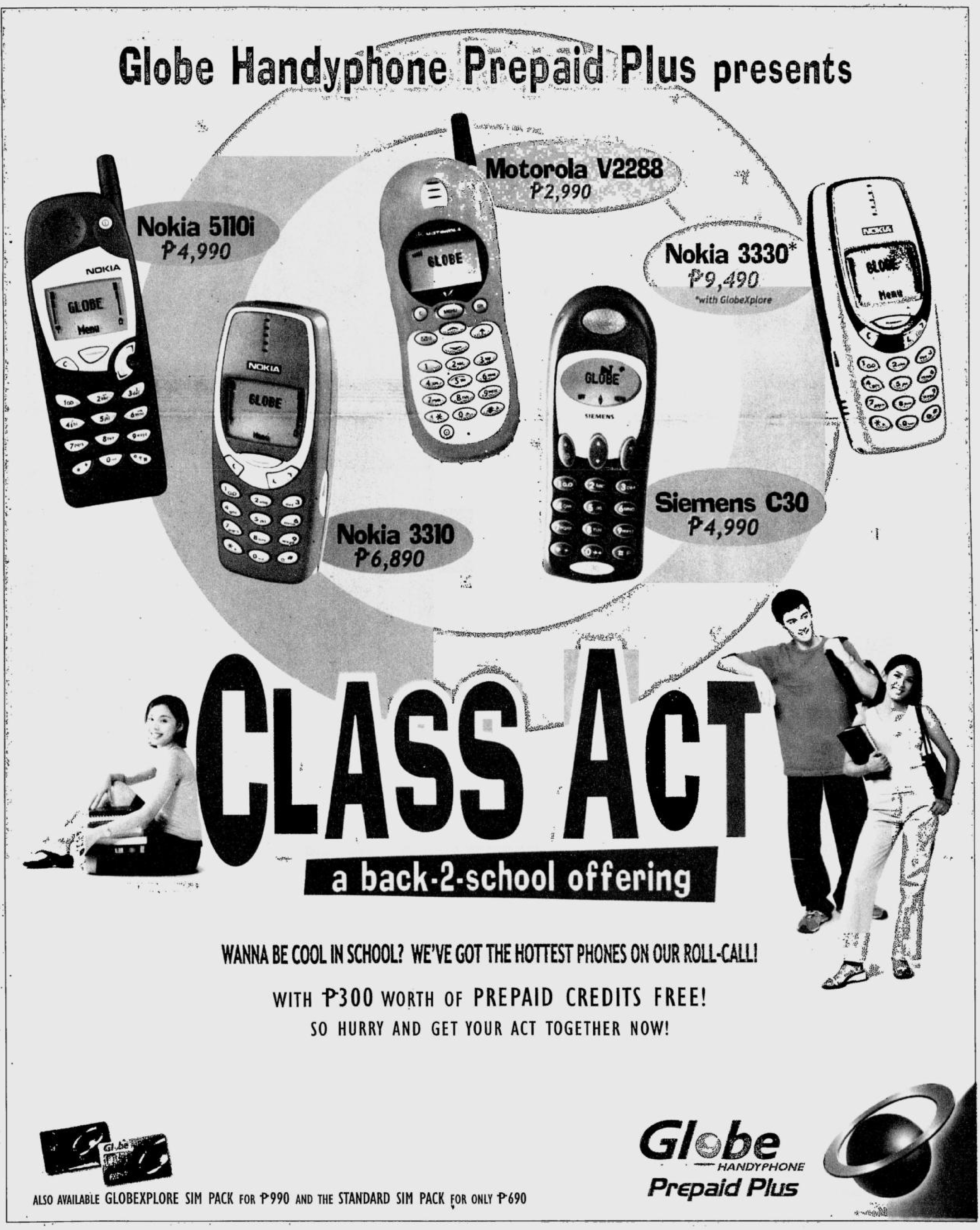
Parent & Child Singing Contest

Cheer on your favorite parent and child singing pairs as they battle it out in the elimination round!

Eliminations:
June 9 & 16
Saturdays, 4PM
Fountain Area
Robinsons Place Imus

ROBINSONS Place IMUS

visit us at www.robinsonsland.com


Globe Handyphone Prepaid Plus presents

Nokia 5110i ₱4,990

Motorola V2288 ₱2,990

Nokia 3330* ₱9,490
*with GlobeXplore

Nokia 3310 ₱6,890

Siemens C30 ₱4,990

CLASS ACT

a back-2-school offering

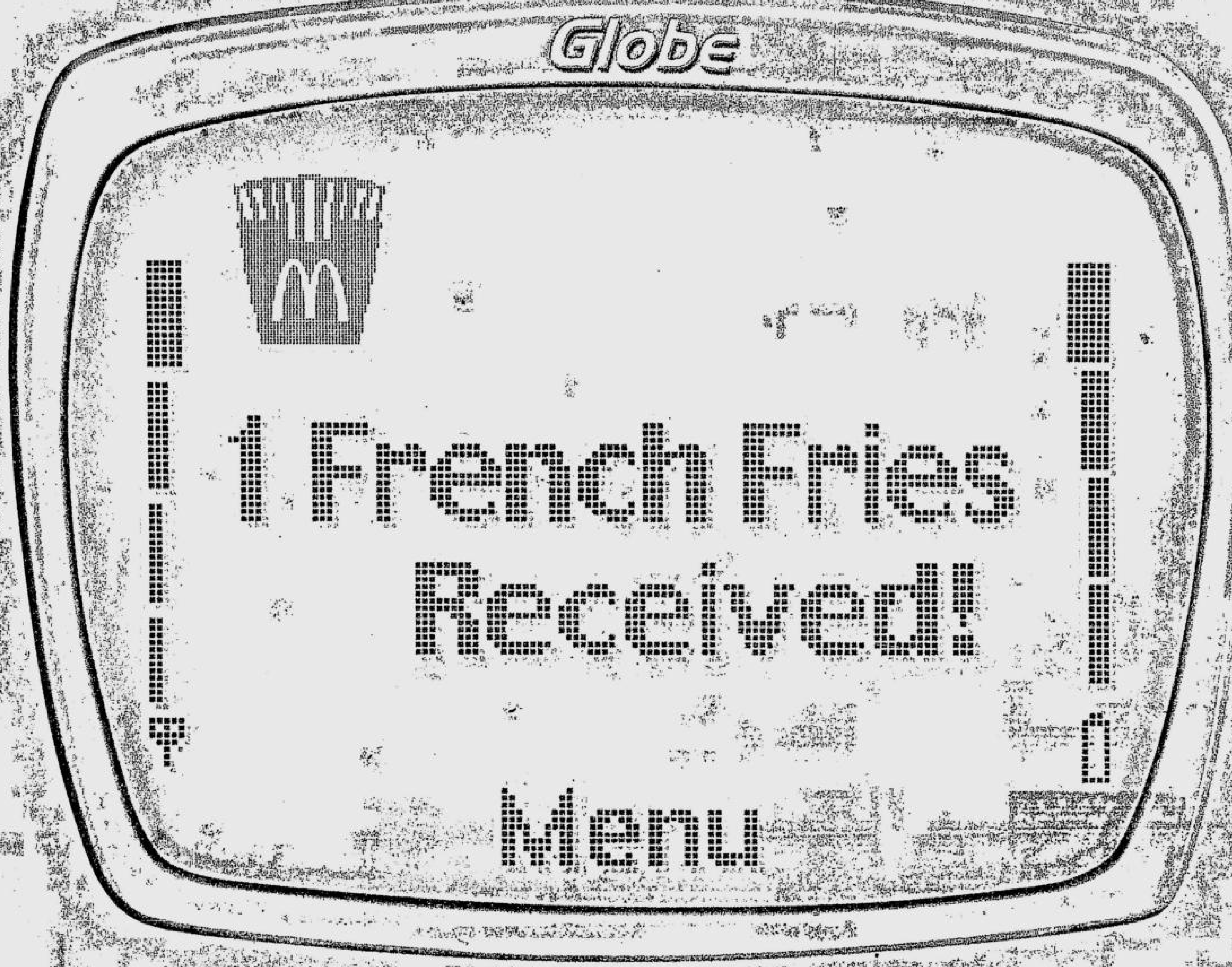
WANNA BE COOL IN SCHOOL? WE'VE GOT THE HOTTEST PHONES ON OUR ROLL-CALL!

WITH ₱300 WORTH OF PREPAID CREDITS FREE!

SO HURRY AND GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER NOW!

ALSO AVAILABLE GLOBEXPLORE SIM PACK FOR ₱990 AND THE STANDARD SIM PACK FOR ONLY ₱690

Globe HANDYPHONE Prepaid Plus



Hurry! Redeem your free French Fries!

In celebration of our 20th Anniversary, McDonald's shares FREE regular French Fries to all Globe Handyphone subscribers. Just wait for a text message from 2340 between June 13 - 30. Present it at any McDonald's restaurant to claim your FREE French Fries. Absolutely no purchase necessary!

Globe Txt Pass is a FREE new service that sends you special offers like this. Just flash your Globe Txt Pass message to get instant freebies, invites and discounts. Always make sure that your message is from 2340, the official Globe Txt Pass number for special promotions.

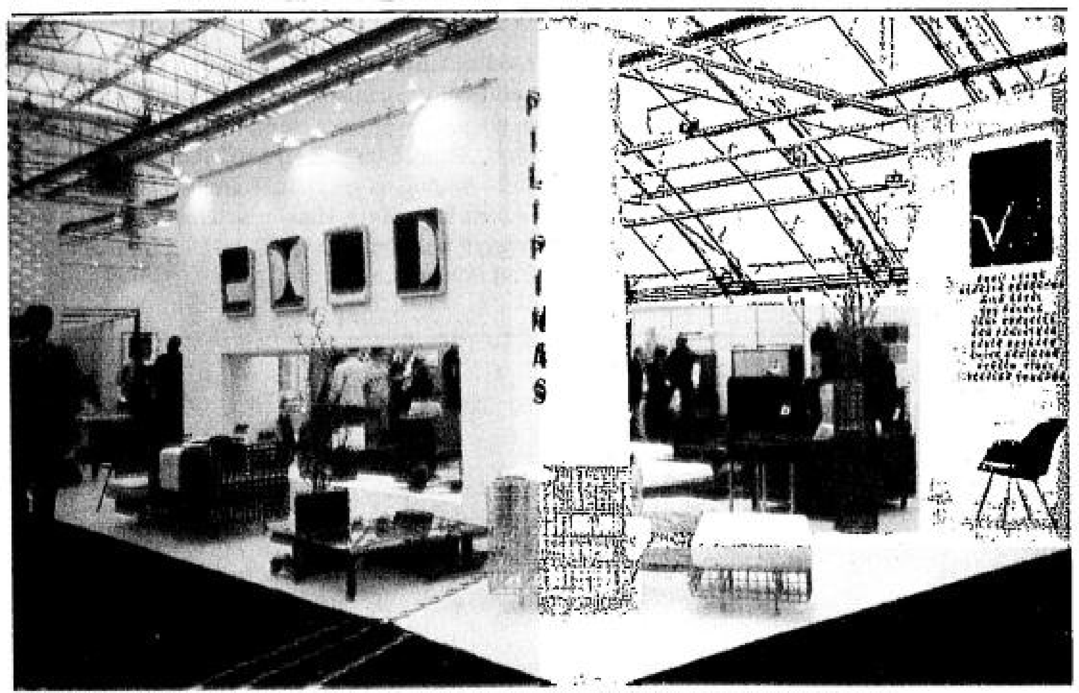
Not interested to receive offers? Just text "NO" and send to 588840l. You'll automatically be excluded from future offers. Watch out for details on how to register and receive more treats through Globe Txt Pass.

*How to make sure that your message is really from 2340.
- Scroll down completely on the message and check the real Sender number. Dubious messages try to duplicate the Sender number by making it part of the text message.
- For Nokia users, simply go to Options, then click Details to check the Message Centre number. It should display only "2340". If there are prefixed numbers other than 0917 or 0916 before "2340", then it's not from Globe.
** Messages you receive from 2340 are FREE. Messages you send to 2340 are charged standard Infotext Fees.

flash it. get it.

Kay Sarap Ng
Ngiting McDo

2340
txt
pass



PHILIPPINE stand looms over the other booths at Jacob K. Javits Center.

Filipino designers win top award in New York

(From page C1)

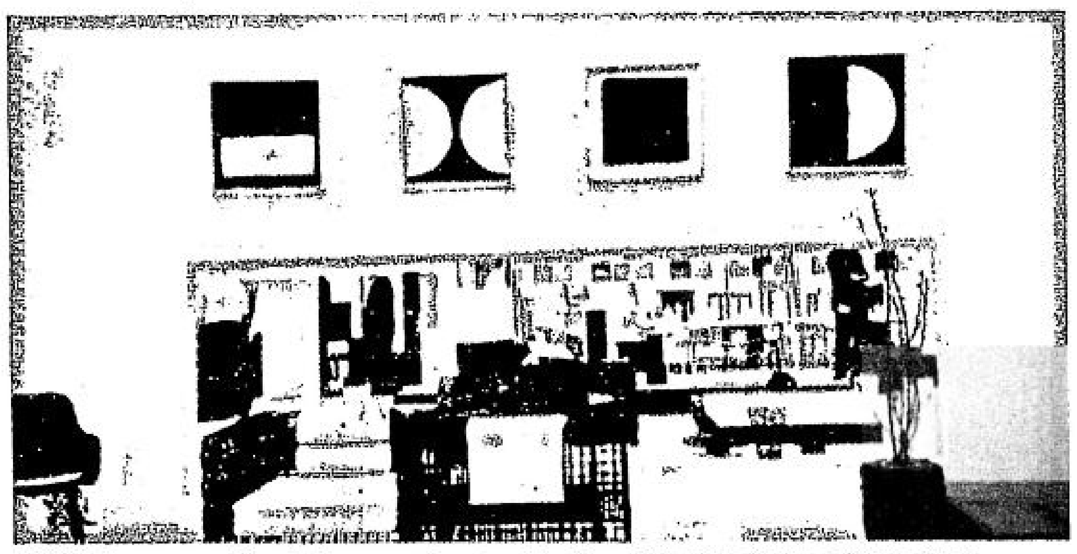
Movement 8 was born out of Citem's vision to brand the Filipino design talent. "It is giving face to this abstraction called Filipino creativity," said Eli early on about her dream.

There's Filipino design, and there's Filipino design. The tough task ahead, before the creation of Movement 8, was to prove to the world that Filipino craftsmanship went beyond the *bahay kubo* and other ingenious looks that had no grounding in today's function and lifestyle, least of all in global context.

But—since Movement 8 was created, it has proved that Filipino design could go sleek, sophisticated, cutting-edge and most of all, functional. It had long transcended the decorative and irrelevantly ethnic, so that even young users today could connect to it, from Manila to New York to Madrid.

The ICCF's Editors Award for Craftsmanship given Movement 8 crowned such vision and effort. Interestingly, it is in home design, not fashion, where we are gaining world notice. What clinched it?

FILIPINO/p.C6



BUDJI Layug went for balance and contrast in his minimalist design of the stand.

Domino's Pizza
7th Anniversary Celebration
takes you on a feast

for only ₱555
Good for 6 to 8 persons
₱ 69.37 per. person

2 Medium Pizzas
choose from:(Bacon Cheeseburger, Meatzza, Pepperoni Feast, Amore, Deluxe or Ole)

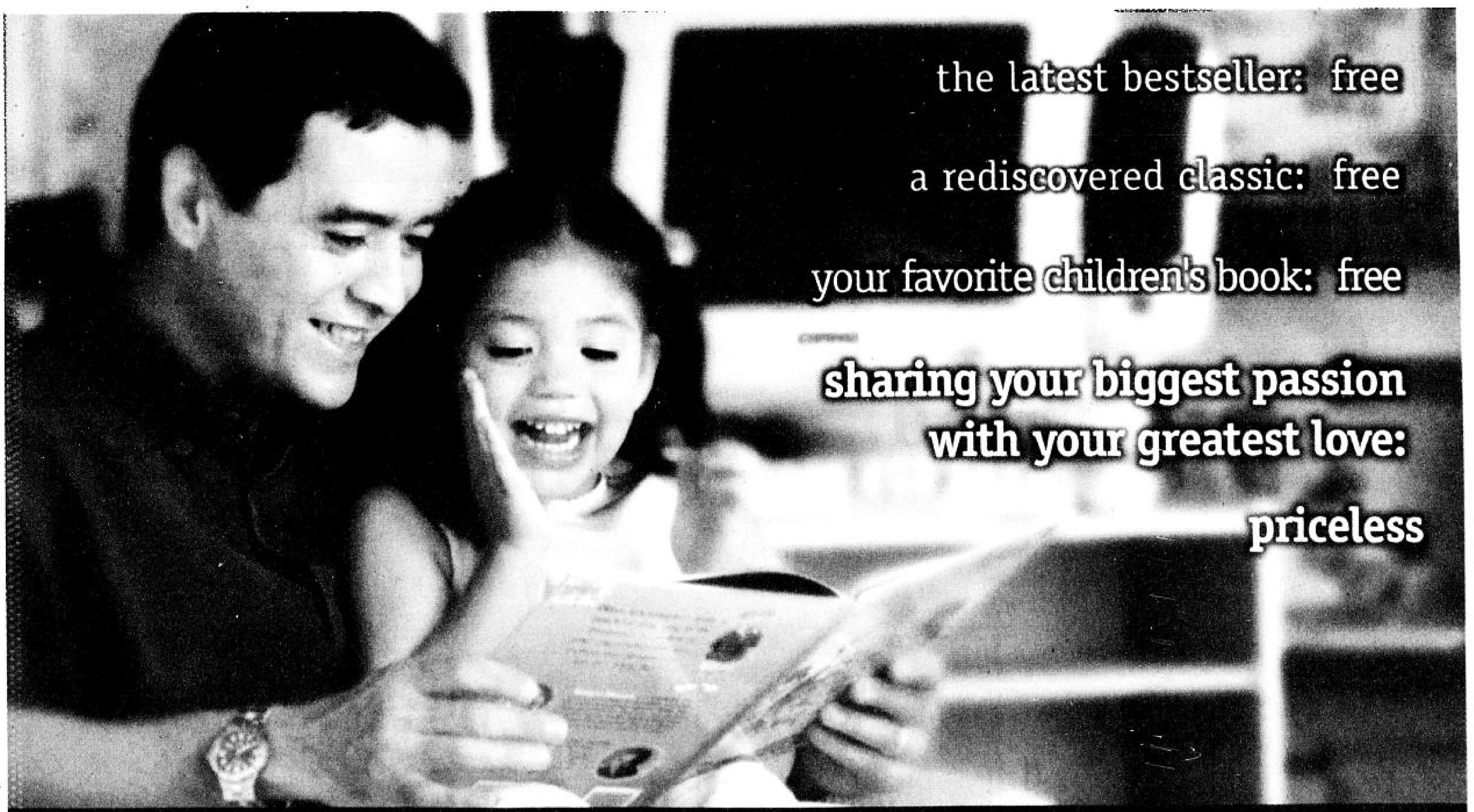
2 Jr. Orig. Potato Tots
1.5 XL Coke

SWISS MISS. Ice Cream
choose from: (Cappuccino, Choco w/ Marshmallows, Cookies 'n Cream)

SAVE ₱116.00
Promo Period: June 4 to July 8, 2001
May not be combined with another offer or promo.
Includes 1 quart of Swiss Miss Ice Cream.
For better enjoyment, store ice cream in freezer before consumption.
Per DTI Permit No. 1522 series of 2001

METRO MANILA ALABANG 807-9801 • AURORA BLVD. 723-077 • BINONDO (ESCOLTA) 243-4242 • CALOOCAN 366-5288 to 92, 367-8853 • CONGRESSIONAL AVE. 923-3333, 922-2222 • COMMONWEALTH AVE. 931-0315 • D. TUAZON 742-7642 • KALAYAAN AVE., Q.C. 920-7681, 433-0867 • LAS PIÑAS 800-3518 • LIBIS, Q.C. 635-3535, 637-1226 • M. ADRIATICO (RIZAL) (MALATE) 522-2050 • MAKATI AVENUE 895 8888 • MARCOS HIGHWAY 682-5555 • MOONWALK, PARAÑAQUE 824-787 • NOVALICHES 936-8888 • PASIG-ORTIGAS 634-777 • PASONG TAMO EXT. 840-3371 • SHAW BLVD. (MANDALUYONG) 531-1111, 717-2222 • STA. MESA 716-3333 • SUCAT 826-7506 • UNITED NATIONS AVE. 525-8888 • WEST AVENUE 372-5555, 414-9099

PROVINCIAL CABANATUAN CITY (044) 463-9990 • CHECKPOINT, BALIBAGO (045) 892-7454 331-4444 • DAGUPAN (075) 523-7770 • OLONGAPO (047) 224-7640 to 43, 224-7527 • SAN FERNANDO (045) 963-6868, 860-221 • SAN PABLO (049) 562-1727 • STO. ROSARIO (045) 887-8888, 323-5431 • ENCHANTED KINGDOM (049) 247-6100, 247-5349



the latest bestseller: free
a rediscovered classic: free
your favorite children's book: free
sharing your biggest passion with your greatest love:
priceless

MasterCard
PRICELESS
PASSIONS
PROMO

USE YOUR MASTERCARD FOR A CHANCE TO WIN ANY OF ₱1.4M WORTH OF PRIZES.

Grand Draw Prizes: 1st: ₱500,000 • 2nd: ₱300,000 • 3rd: ₱200,000

Consolation Prizes: (1 winner) Family Trip for 4 to Boracay, (2 winners) Trip for 2 to Boracay, Siemens SL45 by Smart, Compaq IPAQ, Coleman Outdoor Adventure Package and (4 winners) Powerbooks Gift Certificates.

With MasterCard's PRICELESS PASSIONS promo, every charge slip worth ₱500 or more is one entry closer to your priceless passion. Just mail your entries to MCPO Box No. 1923 Makati City or drop in selected outlets. MASTERCARD PRICELESS PASSIONS...where every purchase is a heartbeat closer to your greatest passion. There are some things money can't buy. For everything else there's MasterCard.

PROMO PERIOD: JUNE 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2001.

To join, simply write your name, address, phone number and signature at the back of qualified charge slips and mail to: "MASTERCARD'S PRICELESS PASSIONS" PROMO, MCPO BOX NO. 1923 MAKATI CITY. See posters and flyers for details.

MasterCard MasterCard Electronic

LORENZO RESORTS SEAIR COMPAQ Coleman OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT POWERBOOKS SIEMENS SMART

Father's Day celebration

SHOPPING and dining surprises for fathers and their families are being offered by the Power Plant Mall in Rockwell Center, Makati City as part of its five-day celebration of Father's Day, which started Wednesday.

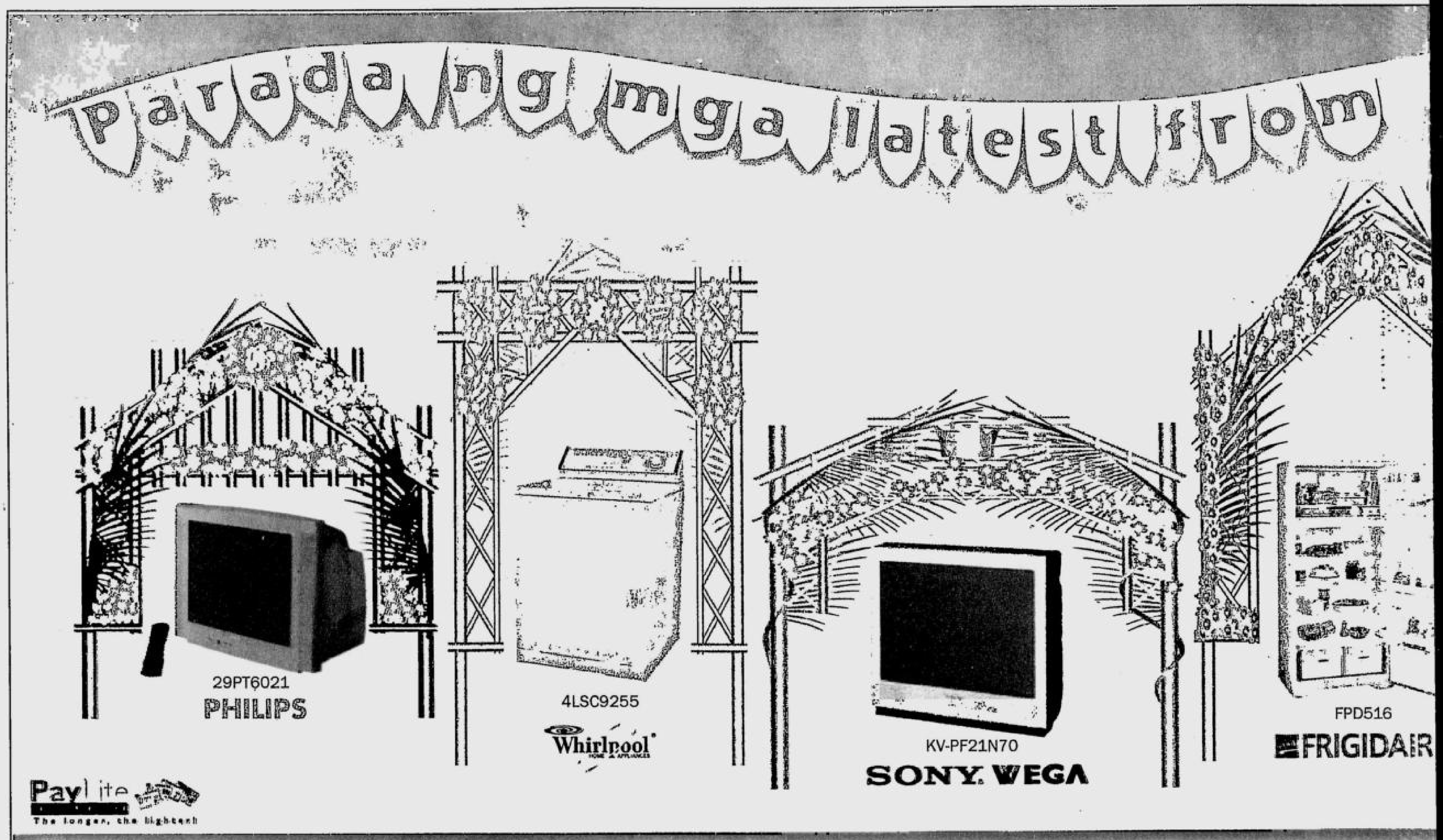
A minimum purchase of P2,000 from any Power Plant Mall establishment entitles fathers to a gift coupon. The coupons, which can be claimed at the Customer Care Desk at the mall's ground floor, entitle fathers accompanied by their families to a free game of bowling in Power Bowl, the newly opened 26-high-performance lane bowling and entertainment center at the third level.

Windows Café, the dining outlet at the bowling center, will have a special Father's Day promotion on June 17. Every P1,000 spent on food and drinks entitles customers to a P100 gift certificate redeemable on their next visit. Windows Café serves a sumptuous blend of Filipino, Asian, Continental and Mediterranean cuisine. Among its specialties are pork *sisig* served in tortilla pockets, Hainanese chicken rice, Norwegian salmon fish head and chorizo *hubad*. Call Power Bowl at 898-1648.

■
GREEN

IN BLACK & WHITE. INQUIRER is the ONLY Philippine newspaper to use 100% soy-based ink. Unlike petroleum-based inks, soy ink emits no toxic fumes, and makes recycling faster and easier. Together with award-winning environmental coverage and the use of recycled newsprint, it's another of INQUIRER's choices for the planet. The short-term cost is well worth the long-term benefits: less ink on your hands, less fumes in the air -- and a paper where the only thing potent is the news.

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
News that makes a difference.
www.inq7.net



Sunglasses add authenticity to 'Pearl Harbor'

RAY-BAN sunglasses returns to Hollywood via the epic, romantic drama "Pearl Harbor," which recalls a pivotal moment in World War II.

The lead male actors—Alec Baldwin, Josh Hartnett and Ben Affleck—wear classic and unique Large Metal Aviator and Aviator Outdoorsman glasses in the movie. Ray-Ban sunglasses were chosen for "Pearl Harbor" for authenticity and historically correct styling and lenses.

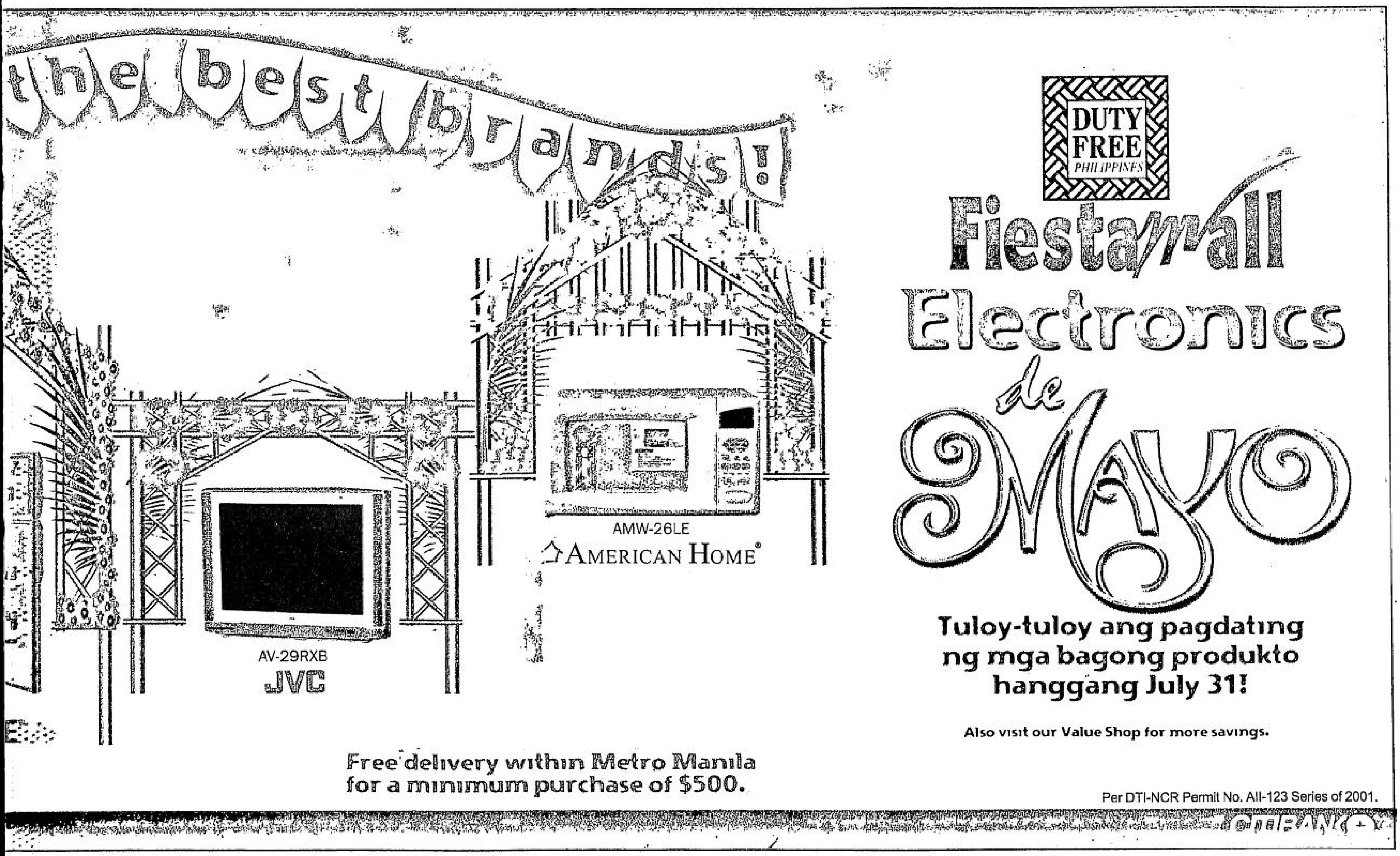
Originally developed for Army Air Corps flyers in 1930, the anti-glare sunglasses were named Ray-Ban in 1937 and style was launched. From 1942-45, Ray-Ban lenses were standard government issue for all the American armed services. The Aviator, also known as MacArthur (after General Douglas) sunglasses, became a prized possession of both combat and support fliers.

"Pearl Harbor" gives everyone a chance to also own a pair of Ray-Ban sunglasses. For every purchase of two movie tickets in all SM Cinemas, you get a chance to win a pair of Ray-Ban sunglasses. Promo ends June 16.

Alaga si Baby. Pati Budget ni Mommy.

Panalo ka sa economy at quality ng EQ Diapers. Sa abot-kayang halaga, palaging dry si baby dahil sa super absorbent multi-layers that turn liquid into gel. Napaka-comfortable pa dahil sa contour shape design at super leg gathers. At kahit magpagulong-gulong pa si baby, ok lang dahil refastenable ang frontal tape. Sa EQ Diapers, alaga si baby. Pati budget ni Mommy.

Available at leading supermarkets, department stores and drugstores nationwide.


the best brands!

AMW-26LE
AMERICAN HOME®

AV-29RXB
JVC

Free delivery within Metro Manila
for a minimum purchase of $500.

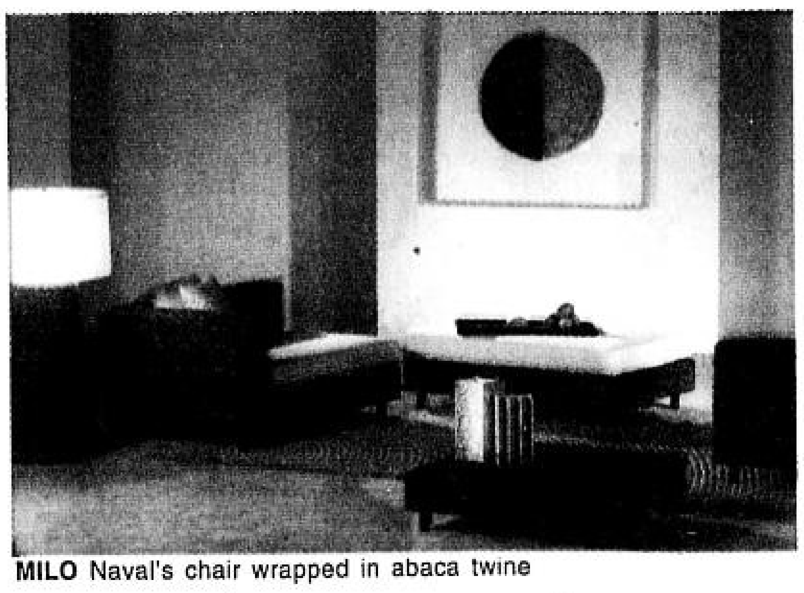
DUTY FREE PHILIPPINES
Fiestamall Electronics de Mayo

Tuloy-tuloy ang pagdating
ng mga bagong produkto
hanggang July 31!

Also visit our Value Shop for more savings.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. All-123 Series of 2001.

MOVEMENT 8 shows off the 2001 ICCF Editors Award for Craftsmanship in New York. First row, seated, from left, Ann Pamintuan, Budji Layug, Eli Pinto-Mansor; second row, Milo Naval, Tes Pasola, Clayton Tugonon, Renato Vidal, Kenneth Cobonpue, Luisa Robinson


MILO Naval's chair wrapped in abaca twine

NAVAL in his setting

COBONPUE with his display

Filipino designers win top award in New York

(From page C3)

First of all the Philippine stand—which by the way was identified as Pilipinas Movement 8 (one of the few stands in the cavernous Convention Center with the country's name on it)—was designed in a cutting-edge, contemporary style by Budji. Its wooden frame painted in cool green (all right, Prada green) loomed above all the other booths so that you could see it hundreds of meters away from the entrance. Budji's challenge was how to put together the furniture and home accessories in a chic, contemporary, almost minimalist layout.

He did—through intelligent editing and razor-sharp eye for balance and contrast. What he succeeded in curating was not only a furniture booth but a lifestyle setting, so that the buyers and design professionals—there were 15,000—could sit on the furniture, use the table and scrutinize the wall and table décor.

The darkness of our wood and *abaca* was a stark contrast to the cool green. The green backdrop made more pronounced the clean and spare lines of the furniture.

Our pavilion was also a play of textures—the roughness of *abaca*, the smoothness of our silks, the hardness of our wood, the incredible polish of a baked termite mound (used as table décor), the uneven surface of paper.

Whereas the booths of the First World countries showed highly advanced but impersonal technology applied to their furniture, ours—thanks to our poverty and not-yet-cutting-edge technology—resorted to an ingenious play of the senses through an astute blend of the natural (materials) and craftsmanship.

Apart from Budji who showed his trademark wicker bed and ottoman, bamboo side table and leather chair, the other designers who did us proud with their handcrafted products were:

Milo Naval, with his *abaca* twine-wrapped chairs, coffee table and side table.

Kenneth Cobonpue, with his award-winning armchair, loveseat, whose rattan-wrapped frame seems skeletal, actually attempting to create a feeling of "lightness and transparency," as Kenneth explained. A graduate of Pratt School of Industrial Design, Kenneth has always been drawn to clean, architectural lines. His works have landed in the International Design Yearbook.

Ann Pamintuan, with her now famous wire chair, stool and tabletop. Ann went into furniture design from designing fashion accessories. She'd turn orchid roots into bracelets, electroplate twigs and dip roses into silver and gold and turn them into brooches. In time she was welding wire and shaping them into furniture pieces.

Clayton Tugonon, with his tabletops made of processed termite mounds—a craft that made the visitors turn around and marvel. He'd get the termite mound, dry and bake it and laminate it in fiberglass.

Luisa Robinson, with her tabletops shaped like cut grass, actually made of resin.

Renato Vidal, with his home décor made of grass stalks, corn husks. This premed graduate, who was initially drawn to Chinese painting, could turn any surplus of nature into home accessories—from banana leaves to dried wild flowers. Among his clients was Crate and Barrel.

Tes Pasola, with her paper collage in black and white, and now a little intrusion of color. Her collages, in their defined geometric lines and shapes, were the stark wall hangings of the booth.

Carlo Cordaro, with his bamboo veneer dining table and solid laminated chairs. I heard buyers asking incredulously if the table was indeed bamboo, because the finish was so polished and the line so trim and sleek.

Tony Gonzales, with his paper pulp vessels.

Eli summed up well what Movement 8 has proved: "It is the marriage of technology and craftsmanship, at a time when the world is hankering for artisanship again. The design market is not content now with only high technology. It is looking for craftsmanship—the natural, personal touch in everything."

It is the world's reaction again against impersonal industrialism.

Budji explained it: "Movement 8 is the East-West approach to today's living. Bringing East and West together—that's the lifestyle to go. It is *moderne*—as opposed to just modern—and casual, a contemporary mix of the antiques and the modern. It is free and eclectic. These designs bring nature indoors, no boundaries. It's a mix of craftsmanship (done by hand), the material, technology and the practical sense of style."

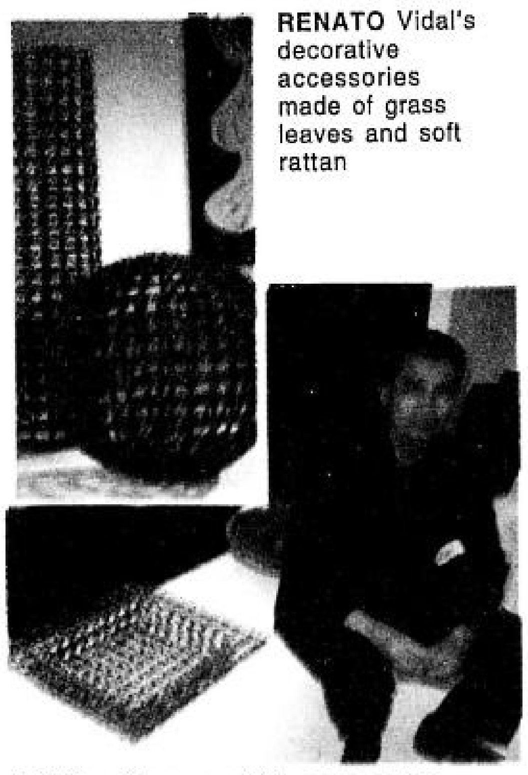
Interestingly, Movement 8 was a success waiting to happen. It couldn't have been born at a more appropriate time, for as Eli noted, today more and more Filipinos have been graduating from design schools abroad and coming home, well traveled and exposed to various design thrusts abroad.

Moreover, today's home designers are acquiring the marketing savvy, and that makes Eli's work more fulfilling. They give their inputs to Citem which, no matter the state of government, is moving heaven and earth to tap the fertile market of Europe and even the US.

"The laidback resort feel is popular everywhere," said Eli. "Contractors, builders and foreign designers are so open to our furniture and furnishings for they give just that feel."

And Eli is proud to say that for every government subsidy of P1 to Citem participation in these design fairs, there's a return of P180—a feat our politicians have yet to pull.

FILIPINO/p.C7


RENATO Vidal's decorative accessories made of grass leaves and soft rattan

VIDAL with more of his accessories

LUISA Robinson's cutgrass tabletop made of resin

KENNETH Cobonpue's loveseat

LAYUG with his mother Herminia and son David

Amid our gloom and doom, Movement 8 delivers the good news. But then it's now at the crossroads—where does it go from here? How does it become viable business for the world market?

TES Pasola before her paper collage

ANN Pamintuan's wire chairs

ANN PAMINTUAN
CARLO CORDARO
LUISA ROBINSON
RENATO VIDAL
LAYUG TUGONON
PAMINTUAN in her setting

BUDJI Layug's bed

TUGONON with his display

TABLETOP made of termite mound by Clayton Tugonon

RDS ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE

OBRA NI JUAN

Available at RDS Galleria, Ermita, Imus and Cebu

www.rds.com.ph
RDS @ Robinsons Galleria | Robinsons Place Manila, Imus, Cebu, Bacolod | Cainta Tutuban Center | Starmall Shaw | Metropolis Star Alabang | Waltermart Sta. Rosa, Gen. Trias

Smile 4 free
This June & July
GET 20% DISCOUNT on I.D.'s
Traditional or Picture Maker

Promo is from April 22, 2001 until December 31, 2001 at Kodak Express outlets in all SM Department Stores nationwide.
SM SMile Cards are available from April 22, 2001 until October 31, 2001.

Here's how to get that winning SMile:

1. Visit Kodak Express outlets at any SM Department Store nationwide.
2. For every P250 single or accumulated purchase of Kodak Products and Services, you are given a FREE SMile Card.
3. On your succeeding visits with a minimum of P150 single purchase, present your SMile Card and you will get the coupons. The coupons will entitle you to the featured prize for the month.

SM SMile Card's Discounts & Free Items are not over yet. Keep visiting Kodak Express in SM Department Stores for more!

August, September & October	Free one (1) 8" X 9" blow up picture on every roll of 4R mega pictures developed (24 & 36 shots only)
November & December	Free Kodak Photolife AA Bat

Kodak EXPRESS
QUALITY MONITORING SERVICE
SM

Makati • Cubao • Harrison • North EDSA • Sta. Mesa • Ortigas • Las Piñas • Bacoor • Fairview • Manila • Pampanga • Iloilo • Cebu

Per DTI- NCR Permit # 0634, Series of 2001.

Filipino designers win top award in New York

(From page C6)

Now where does Movement 8 go from here? As the buyers, architects, designers, design students and other potential clients thronged our booth, this question nagged. It was foremost in the minds of Citem and the designers during the post-event briefing. Even Special Trade Representative **Romulo Manlapig** of the Philippine Consulate in New York was drawn to this brainstorming.

Budji made a good point. "If Movement 8 doesn't incorporate or find an investor, Europe will just copy our designs and market it. Movement 8 is Filipino sensibility which could be converted into a bigger Asean identity the way we can incorporate the other Asean rich materials into our design. For instance, we can assimilate Thai silk or Vietnamese lacquer in our own design settings. Otherwise, we'll just be stuck to subcontracting and manufacturing—very colonial. We can't put a claim to the brand."

What Movement 8 needs now is an investor that will give it a business infrastructure, without which you cannot service the world market—an infrastructure that will handle its marketing, distribution, inventory and sales.

Some buyers who went to the booth were in a hurry to get our goods, but since we have no storage in the US or Europe—from where we can move our goods fast—what can these buyers do? Wait?

Citem's mandate is to promote the Filipino talent and give it an international venue. It's not mandated to run a business.

Budji said, "This design success is already a dream come true. Now we need the Big Business willing to invest in our inroads on the market."

These designers have the product. Now they need the financing for the world market.

Indeed Movement 8—as a design brand—is at the crossroads, after its successful reviews abroad. It has to be taken a step further—into a business that will get a slice of the world market. Sure, these designers can sell their stuff separately—they've been doing that, for they are all entrepreneurs—but they must be together, an integrated lifestyle design brand, if they are to pit themselves against the design goliaths abroad.

The foreign buyers were drawn to our booth in the NY fair because the products were fresh in that they were handcrafted as opposed to being purely industrial.

That's a world market out there.

CARLO Cordaro's bamboo chair

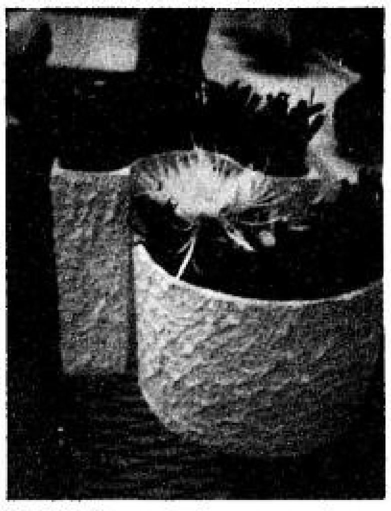
OFFICIALS of Philippine consulate in New York gave their support to the Philippine stand. With Eli Pinto-Mansor (far left) are Consul General Linglingay Lacanlale, Cherry Aguinaldo and Special Trade Representative Romulo Manlapig.

Citem and the designers (who spent their own money to join the fair) have done their bit. Big business and earnest investors can now come in. We must prove that Filipinos can be creators, not just bunglers.

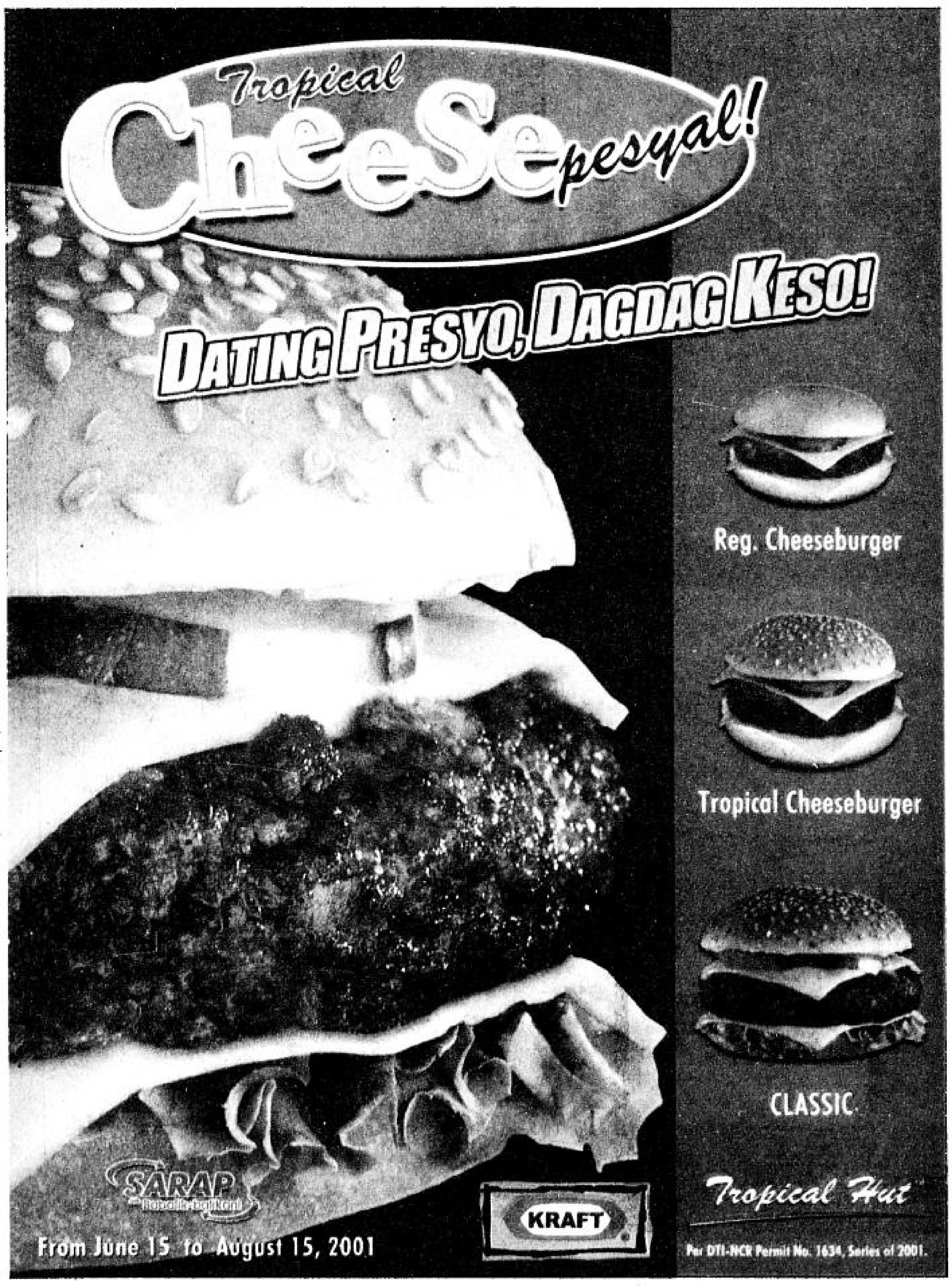
Bestseller novelist here

ARLENE Chai, the Manila-born-and-educated novelist whose novels are winning acclaim worldwide, will be here next week. Her visit is being arranged by the Australian embassy (she's been based in Sydney), and the Asia Society is guesting her at a reception at the Filipinas Heritage Library on June 20 (reservations are needed). She'll touch on the role of distance and the perspective it gives the writer in exile. Among her works are "Eating Fire, Drinking Water," "The Last Time I Saw Mother" and the latest "Black Hearts."

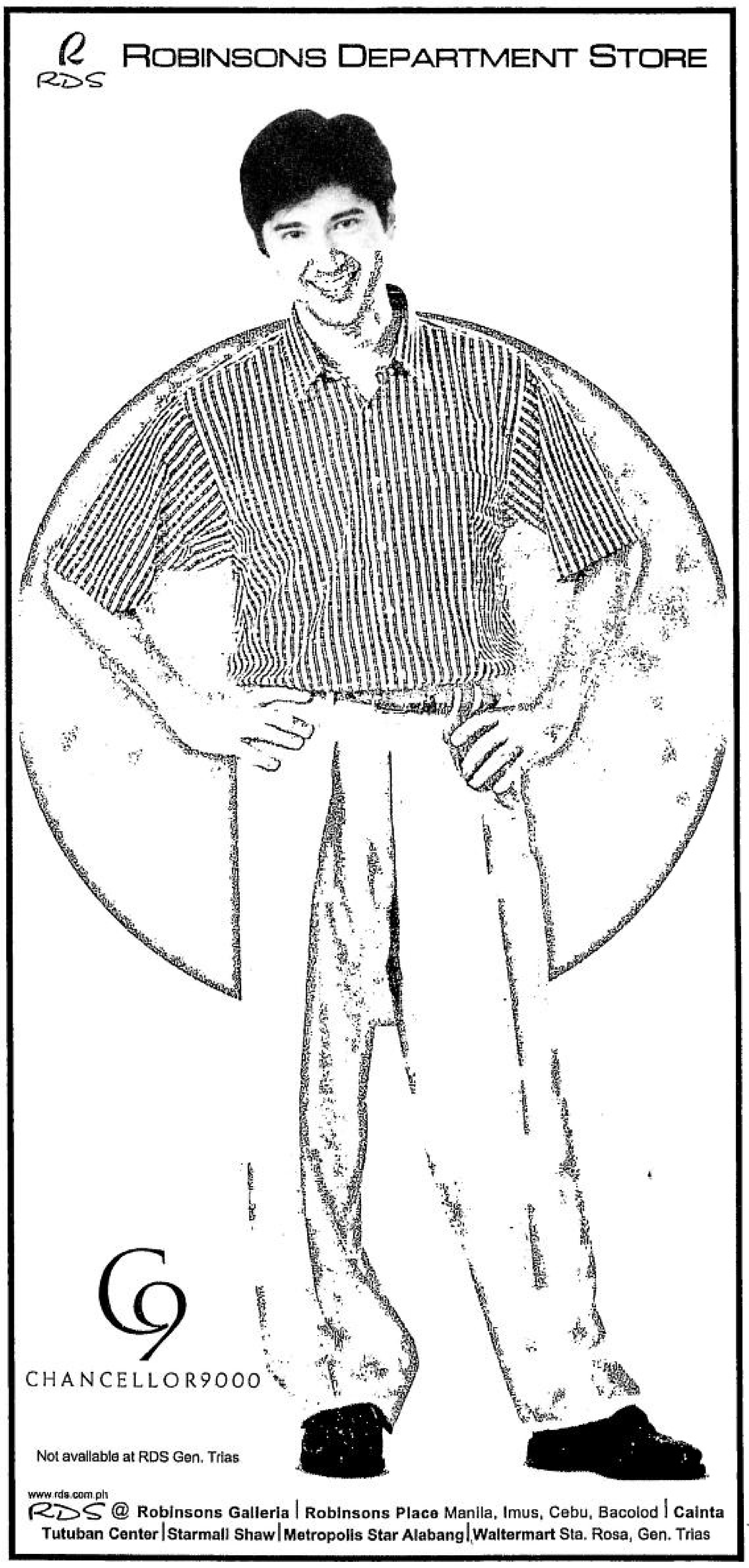
E-mail the author at tsanjuan@skyinet.net



TONY Gonzales' paper pulp vessels

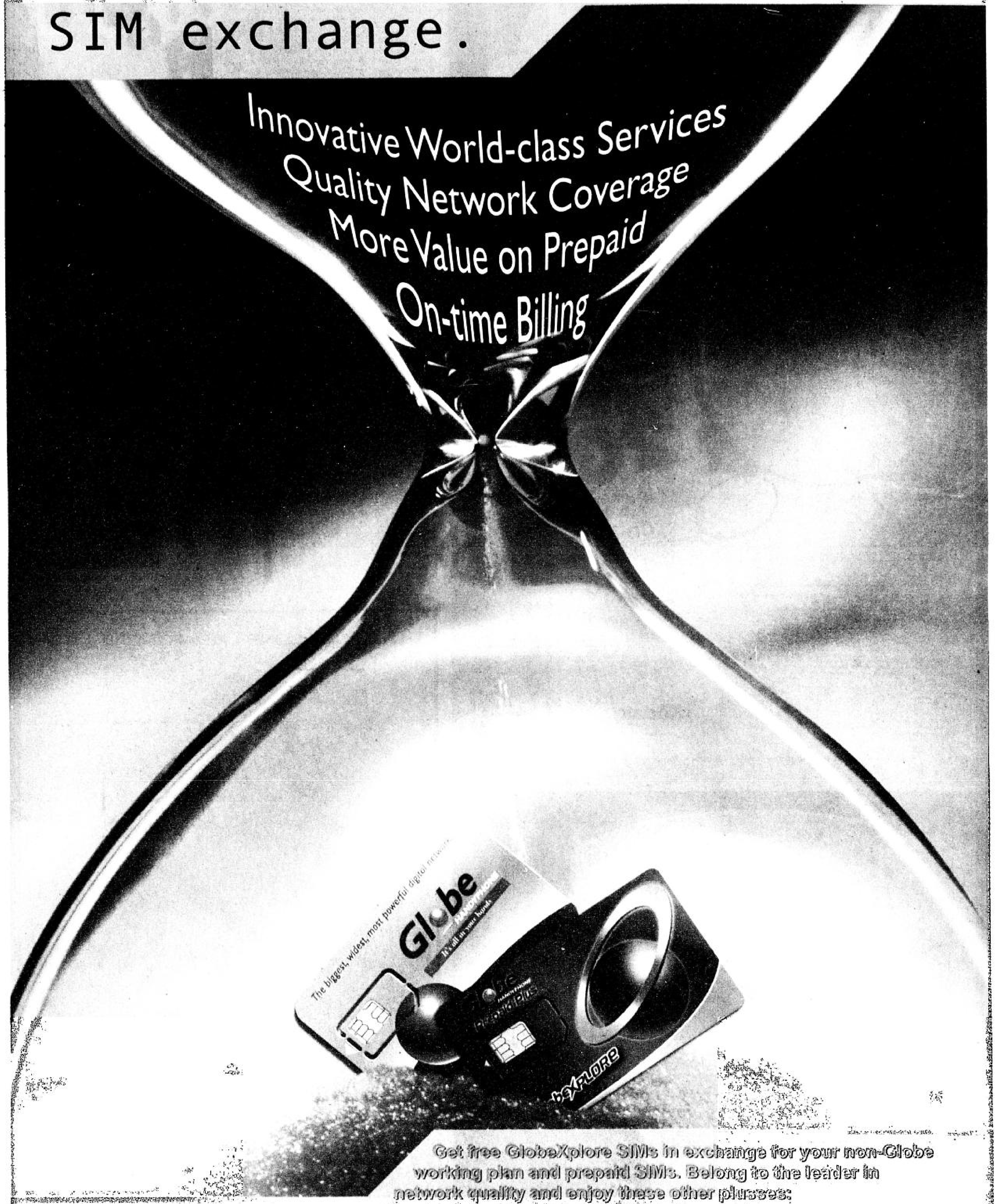


Tropical CheeSepesyal!
DATING PRESYO, DAGDAG KESO!
Reg. Cheeseburger
Tropical Cheeseburger
CLASSIC
SARAP
KRAFT
Tropical Hut
From June 15 to August 15, 2001
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1634, Series of 2001.



RDS ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE
C9 CHANCELLOR9000
Not available at RDS Gen. Trias
www.rds.com.ph
RDS @ Robinsons Galleria | Robinsons Place Manila, Imus, Cebu, Bacolod | Cainta
Tutuban Center | Starmall Shaw | Metropolis Star Alabang | Waltermart Sta. Rosa, Gen. Trias

Now is the time to SIM exchange.


Innovative World-class Services
Quality Network Coverage
More Value on Prepaid
On-time Billing
The biggest, widest, most powerful digital network
Globe
It's all in your hands
beXPLORE

Get free GlobeXplore SIMs in exchange for your non-Globe working plan and prepaid SIMs. Belong to the leader in network quality and enjoy these other plusses:

- Waived registration fee for plan subscriptions. For Prepaid SIM, pay only P300 worth of call card value.
- 1,410 cell sites, 185 destinations around the world.
- Lowest IDD flat rate at 40¢ per minute.
- Endless exclusive privileges like the 24-hour hotline and more.
- Unbeatable value on Globe Prepaid SIM Card with its P300 worth of Prepaid credit (airtime).

Hurry! Offer is good for a limited period only.

Available from June 9 to July 9, 2001 at all Globe Business Centers nationwide.

For limitless ways to connect, Globe is all you need.

SIM XCHANGE

See posters for details.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1758 Series of 2001

Globe
HANDYPHONE
It's all in your hands
Hotline: 730-1000 / www.globe.com.ph

FOR FEEDBACK, TEXT US AT (0919) 661-2337 OR E-MAIL US AT LIFESTYLE@INQUIRER.COM.PH

LIFESTYLE

Trend Spotting

MODEL Grace Tagle gets prepped up by Rosas and his hairstylist Jaime Ruben.

Patrick sees pink

Back from training in Europe, this makeup artist says the top trends include techno, asphalt, gloss and pink

By Harriet Ann Dy
Photos by Raymond Lauchengco

PINK—the light, feathery, cotton candy kind—is back with a romantic vengeance.

In fact, pink was the first word that top makeup artist Patrick Rosas uttered when we asked him about makeup trends in Paris and Milan. Fresh from a month-long stint last April in the fashion capitals, Rosas had the opportunity to undergo one-on-one training sessions with equally formidable names like Diego dalla Palma, Philippe Dana of Poudre T. LeClerc and Serge Louis Alvarez. "The shade was so hot that Parisians were even dyeing their lashes pink," says Rosas.

Of the three, Rosas spent the longest time with Dalla Palma. Under the Italian master—whose eponymous makeup line is being sold at Essenses in Rustan's Department Store—key makeup trends like "satin textures" and "daytime transparency and bold shades for the evening" have emerged.

"In makeup, as in fashion, there are several trends that have been unleashed by European designers right now," says Rosas.

Diverse looks

Dalla Palma's book, for example, proffers looks for the "young, soft, classic and strong" woman. He has makeup that embraces "techno sensuality," with metallic shades that have the mirror effect of cold metals.

"The chrome-plated effect with the skin blends bright and intense shades that become intense in semi-darkness but contrast delicately with light," writes Dalla Palma in his trend book.

His Copper collection has monochromatic effects that combine classic elegance with modern shades. Still another trend promises a very soft luminous effect with satin textures and shadow colors that blend seamlessly onto the skin.

Finally, for high drama, Dalla Palma's aptly named Asphalt collection explores the various shades of this strong gray-black shade—from shaded, double-layer opaque to a pearly series with light dots for a softer look.

But if there's one Dalla Palma makeup Rosas suggests you buy, it's Glass Lips. A consistent bestseller, the lip gloss will give you just that: a glassy-looking pucker that will provide you just enough shine, a very hot trend these days.

Other multiple trends he spotted during his trip were John Galliano's greasy look (think of the most recent Dior ads), Karl Lagerfeld's homage to the '80s and Tom Ford's revival of that YSL classic, le smoking. For definitive inspirations, a quick research on Betty Catroux, Jane Birkin (after whom another current hot item, the Birkin bag, was named) and Charlotte Rampling might help.

Business side

Aside from learning about the creative side, Rosas says he was privileged to observe the business side of the makeup business—the creation and selling of products, and the marketing of the artists themselves. Dalla Palma, for example, even has a TV show.

According to Rhoda Campos, general man-

PATRICK/p.D2

TRAINING with Italian makeup maestro Diego dalla Palma in his Milan studio

FERSAL
APARTELLE
TOURIST INN
Fully Furnished * Clean * Nice Rooms
₱400 to ₱1,300.00
Disc. on Wkly / Mo. * 11th DAY FREE
Tel. No. 911-2161 • Fax (632) 913-6078

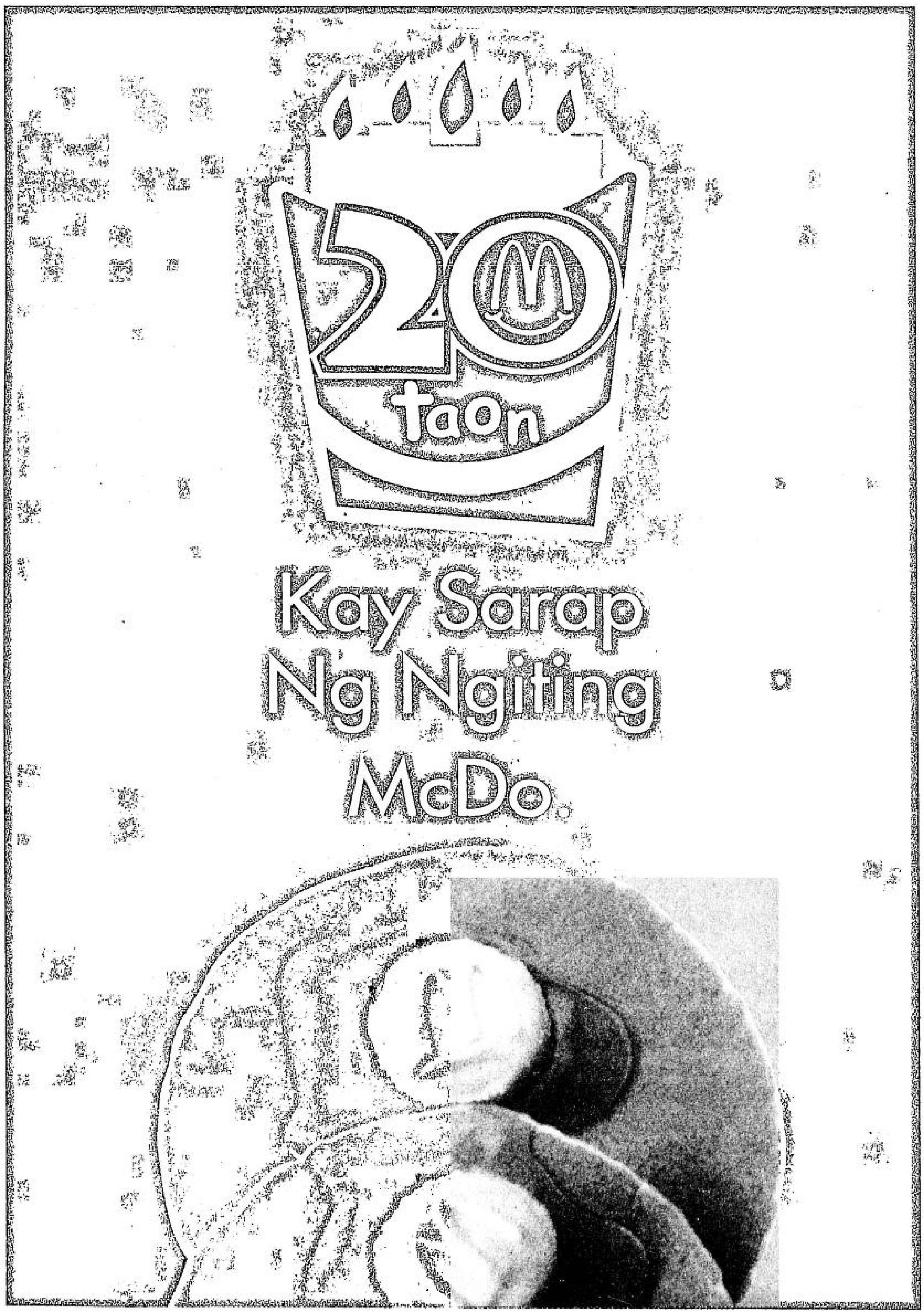
107 Neptune Street Makati City 1201 (Tel. (632) 897-9123 Fax (632) 897-9107	245 P. Tuazon Street Cubao, Quezon City Tel. (632) 912-8000 Fax (632) 913-6078	130 Kalayaan Avenue Diliman, Quezon City Tel. (632) 924-2689 Fax (632) 925-3205	49 Annapolis Street Cubao, Quezon City Tel. (632) 912-5852 Fax (632) 911-3418

E-mail: fersal@skyinet.net

Preparing for College Entrance Tests ***need not be expensive.*** *Discipline and*
MSA **Reviewer Books** *are all you need. Have the complete set now !*
P 358 /copy P 448 /copy
available at National Book Store
College Entrance Tests and NSAT Reviewer
P 630 /set of 5 books
For further training and guidance, join the
MSA UP, Ateneo and De La Salle College Entrance Tests Review
June16 to July 29 Saturday or Sunday 8:00 - 12:00 or 1:00 - 5:00
Call 929-9145 • 435-6062 • 434-3693 • 646-8245 • 850-6550

RDS ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE
CAINTA
3 DAY SALE
JUNE 15-17, 2001
UP TO 50% OFF
ON SELECTED ITEMS
www.rds.com.ph
Per DTI-RIZAL Permit No. 43, Series of 2001

Look like a bronze goddess. Dot your face with bronzing gel and spread evenly with your fingers. A sponge tends to make your makeup look spotty. Powder your T-zone (forehead, nose and chin) to highlight your cheekbones. Don't forget to apply bronzing gel on all the exposed body parts



Patrick sees pink

(From page D1)

ager of Rustan's perfumeries and cosmetics division, the three Rustan's suppliers spoke highly of Rosas' work. Incidentally, Campos helped coordinate the training session with the different Rustan's principals abroad. She assisted another top makeup artist, Ting Duque, in obtaining a training session with Chanel several years ago.

"We'd really like to help our local artists," she says of the company's efforts. "We have highly creative, sophisticated and talented people and it's just a matter of having them exposed on a more global level."

In between his training sessions, Rosas even managed to squeeze in some shots for his upcoming book with lensman Jun de Leon. The still-untitled glossy is scheduled to be released later this year.

PATRICK/p.D4

CINEMATIQUE. Classic makeup of brown shadow, with the corners darkened, and bright red lipstick

New scent for youthquakers

By Margie T. Estrella

RALPH Lauren has long been one of the leading brands in fashion. From the ever-popular Polo, the House of Ralph Lauren is continuously expending its apparel line to reach all sectors of the retail market. Among them are Chaps, Polo Sport, Ralph, Ralph Lauren Black Label and the most prestigious line of the Ralph Lauren brands, the Purple Label.

But the company is well aware of the growing market found in young modern women and has decided to create a new fragrance along with a bath and body collection in conjunction with the Ralph clothing line. Ralph Lauren also uses innovative techniques to attract future patrons. But is there room for yet another high-end fragrance in the country?

A booming industry

The worldwide launch of Ralph, the new fragrance by Ralph Lauren, made its official debut here in the Philippines at Essenses Tea Bar in Makati.

Inspired by the growing youth market in the United States, which is three times the size of those people who belong to the age group otherwise known as GenX, Ralph targets women from ages 15-25 years old. It may sound like a relatively small margin of the general population, but in reality it is precisely these women who belong in this category that are beginning to acquire the spending power that once belonged largely with men. So what has happened? More and more products are being created to suit this new breed of power women.

What exactly is a "power woman"? These are women who not only want to be independent, but are willing to strive to reach self-sufficiency. Not necessarily complete independence, but knowing they can do something on their own if they put their minds to it. Nor should this term refer just to those who go against the grain or any other cliché that might refer to nonconformity. These women work hard to do what they feel is right for them. And how do these women reward themselves after reaching one of their goals? They relax—after all they deserve it. This is where Ralph fragrance, bath and bodyline comes into play.

Perfume and pampering

Although perfume is certainly not a necessity, it is in a way important, especially for women, who are constantly trying to feel better about themselves. It always goes back to self-esteem.

How many women out there spend thousands of pesos on the most top-of-the-line makeup just so they can look like they're not wearing any? But wearing makeup does wonders on self-confidence because if a woman feels good about herself, her confidence also makes her look good to others around her.

Wearing perfume works the same way—it enables one to better project how she feels or even wants to feel. The fragrance of Ralph combines the scents of apple tree leaves, Italian mandarin, magnolia, purple freesia and musk, resulting in a fragrance that is fresh, light and uplifting. The fragrance is not over-powering so it can be used as an everyday scent.

The brand also sees a growing demand for bath and body products and has created an entire line to meet the demand. The bath and body collection consists of a hydrating lotion with a hint of shimmer, a two-in-one bath and shower gel, an exfoliating body gel and a body spray. With all the hype about pampering and spa treatments, these goods are perfect for giving the body a chance to recuperate from the daily battering it receives from school or work. Since the bath and body line also has the fragrance of Ralph, it also compliments the perfume itself since the body gets layered with the scent, making it last even longer while still maintaining subtlety.

According to the press release material, "Ralph wants to capitalize on the youth market in the prestige category." This means that this fragrance, like many perfumes in the market, doesn't come cheap. But perfume is supposed to be a treat, something to splurge on to feel a little more alluring, more attractive. And perfume, unlike clothing, is something you can wear the same every day and will still last throughout the year. Ralph can be worn all throughout summer and still be appropriate for the upcoming rainy season.

Creative advertising

Ralph isn't waiting for young women to discover the fragrance by chance in some random shop; Ralph is making itself known with its brightly colored ads and innovative sampling techniques. At the press launch, fuzzy feathered turquoise snap-on bracelets sprayed with the Ralph fragrance were being given out as well as scent strips containing the individual scent components that make up Ralph. Moreover, CDs were also being given away. The songs found in the CD are meant to represent the essence of what the fragrance is trying to convey.

It had been said that now is without doubt the time of the young woman. Movies, magazines and music keep bringing out the idea of being young and liberated. MTV says, "We are totally in the age of the female." The New York Times states, "The money is in the young adults."

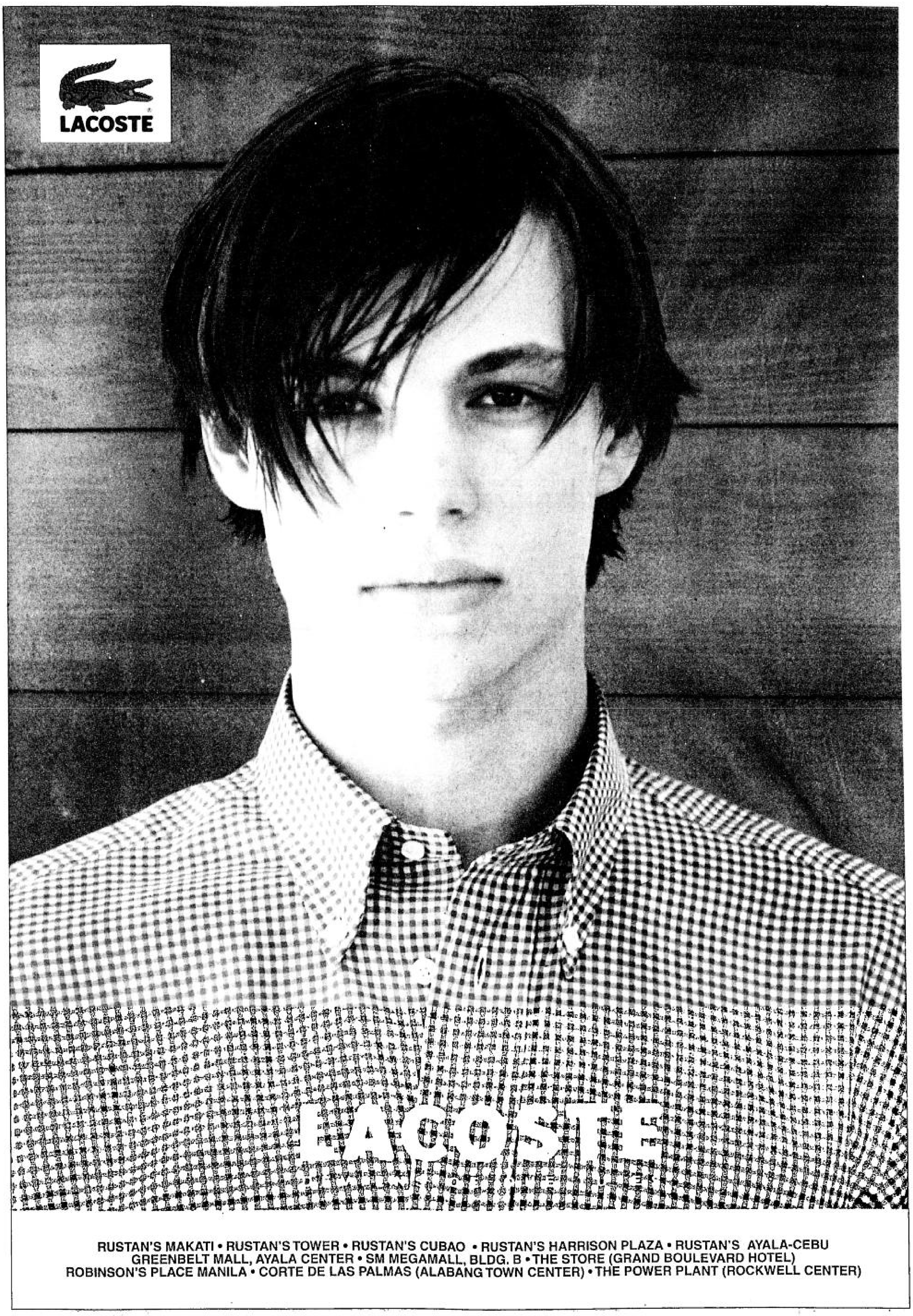
What about the Philippines? Can the local market be included in these statements? The answer would have to be in the affirmative. With more and more Filipino women becoming more self-sufficient and feeling less guilty about being successful, the Philippines must also be coming close to arriving at that point if it hasn't done so yet. And when these ladies decide that they deserve a treat, the Ralph Fragrance and the Ralph Bath and Bodyline can be of service.

LONNEKE is the image model for Ralph Lauren.

RALPH
RALPH LAUREN

FRAGRANT salts

BRIGHT packaging for the young consumer



RUSTAN'S MAKATI • RUSTAN'S TOWER • RUSTAN'S CUBAO • RUSTAN'S HARRISON PLAZA • RUSTAN'S AYALA-CEBU
GREENBELT MALL, AYALA CENTER • SM MEGAMALL, BLDG. B • THE STORE (GRAND BOULEVARD HOTEL)
ROBINSON'S PLACE MANILA • CORTE DE LAS PALMAS (ALABANG TOWN CENTER) • THE POWER PLANT (ROCKWELL CENTER)

All day, All night!
Great food delivered fresh, hot and fast!
Dial 533-33-33
Wendy's
HAMBURGERS
It's The Best Time For Wendy's

Free bridal registry services

ABENSON is now offering the bridal gift registry services for free. A wide selection of Abenson appliances awaits the couples, ranging from audio-video, home appliances, small appliances and furniture/furnishings at affordable prices.

No more gift duplication and receiving the gifts that you already have. Through Abenson's bridal gift registry, you are sure to start your life right. Call Abenson Galleria at 632-9101 to -05, Shangri-La at 638-8017 to -19, Sta. Lucia at 681-5301 to -05, Quad at 812-6748/816-3991, SM City at 920-9151 to -53 or Walter Mart-E. Rodriguez at 724-2570/722-7263. Ask for the branch officer who will serve as your bridal consultant. Much more, you can get lifetime free membership on Abenson Value Club by simply registering.

CULTURAL CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES
INQUIRER
élan

Canada's
ROYAL WINNIPEG BALLET
The premier ballet company of Canada

Exquisite grace…
Dance at its most breathtaking…
One unforgettable experience.

Ticket Prices:
Orchestra Center P2,000
Orchestra Sides P1,750
Parterre Boxes P15,000
Lower Boxes P12,000
Upper Boxes P6,000
Balcony I Center P1,000
Balcony I Sides P800
Balcony II Center P400
Balcony II Sides P300

Tickets are available at the CCP and TicketWorld National Bookstore Outlets.
CCP Marketing Dept. 832-3878, 551-7930
832-1125 loc. 1803-1805
CCP Box Office 832-3704, 832-1125 loc. 1409
Dance Division 831-3415 832-1125 loc. 1602-1603
Ticket World 891-5610, 891-5743

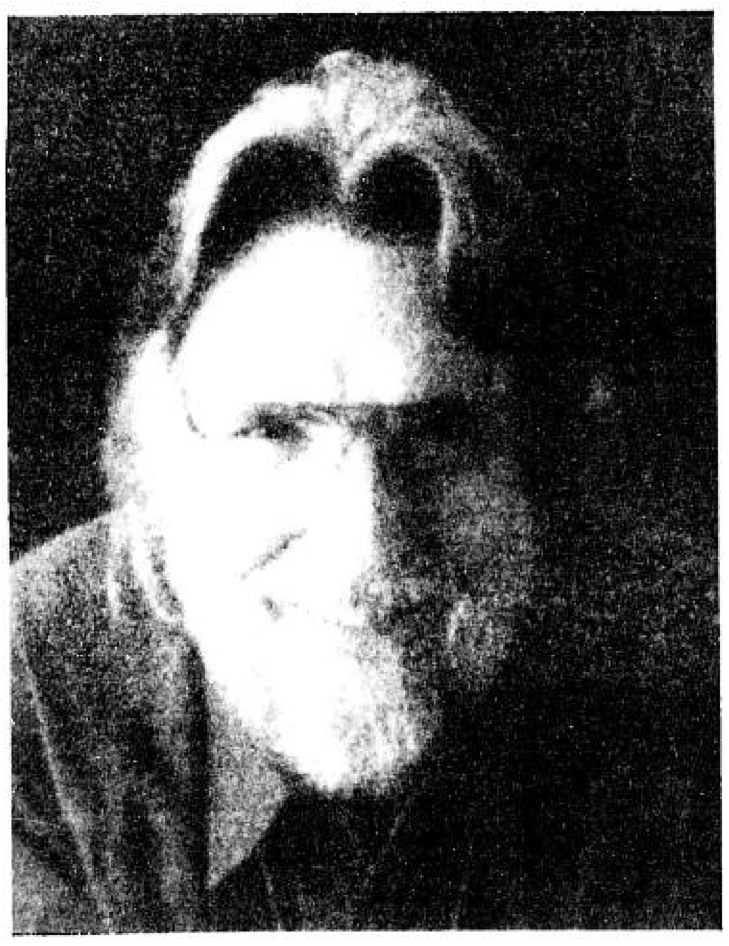
CCP Main Theater • June 19, 2001 • 8:00 PM

Sun Life Financial
AIR CANADA
SNC-LAVALIN INTERNATIONAL
HARRIS
THE HERITAGE HOTEL
MANILA

Suppose you could ask God the most puzzling questions about existence – love, faith, life and death, good and evil. Suppose God provided clear, understandable answers. It happened to Neale Donald Walsch. It could happen to you.

and INQUIRER
Present

A Conversation With
NEALE DONALD WALSCH



Author of the world bestsellers "Conversations With God 1, 2, 3". His books have been translated to 24 languages and have touched the hearts of millions worldwide.

JUNE 23, 2001
6:00 PM
MERALCO THEATER

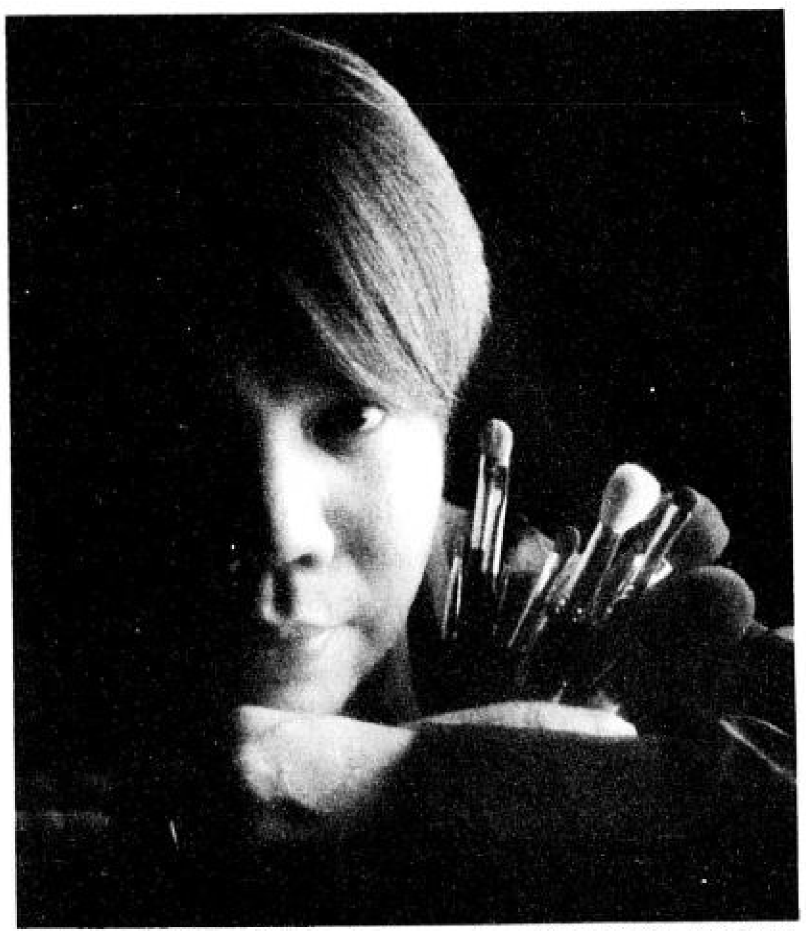
Tickets available at all POWERBOOKS Outlets (Megamall, Arnaiz, Festival Mall)
Or call: 4265375 / 4342921 / 9290230 (Ollie/Lydia) 5313340 / 5330560 (Aireen)
Tickets at P3,000 P2,000 P1,500

Sponsored by:
National Book Store
POWER BOOKS
Dusit Hotel Nikko
Special Media Participation:
UNITED
103.5 K-Lite
City Lite 88.3

Patrick sees pink

(From page D2)

Tip: To get the pink look, apply pink eye shadow, either cream or powder, on the eyelids, cheeks and lips. Dust your face with pearlized powder



PATRICK ROSAS. The artist who can transform a plain Jane into a diva

ASPHALT look

More sources of help for troubled marriages

LIVE AND LET LIVE

Tita Dulce

DEAR Tita Dulce,

Please include our invitation in your column for all your avid readers and letter-writers who need help in the field of marriage and family life on what our community can offer.

The Servants of the Holy Spirit Catholic Community will hold a Marriage Encounter at Maryhill Retreat House, Antipolo, Rizal, starting Friday evening of June 29 and ending on Sunday afternoon, July 1.

The Marriage Encounter is designed to renew marriage by giving an opportunity for spouses to rediscover each other in this changing world and by rekindling the love relationship of couples with God as center.

For details, they can call Jerry or Paulette at 926-3002; Ben or Germie at 853-0110, or Goy at 927-4415.

FRANCES HERNANDEZ

Thank you for the information. What follows is more information on Retrovaille (pronounced Retrovay).

* * *

Thank you for endorsing Retrovaille to couples who need help and are faced with a lot of problems in their marriage. However, we found the need to inform you (for the benefit of the readers and those who have experienced the Retrovaille program since 1991) that Retrovaille is not actually "ran by the Columban Fathers," as mentioned in your column.

Its address is not also on Singalong corner Remedios in Malate.

Retrovaille was brought to Manila by a couple and a priest from the United States through Fr. Colm Raffery who is a Columban Father himself now based in California. Retrovaille is an international ministry based in the US and is diocesan-based in most areas where the program is offered. Manila is the first diocese organized by Retrovaille International as its outreach in Asia.

Fr. David Clay is presently serving its Manila diocese as a spiritual director. If as a spiritual director you also mean "he is in charge," then you are correct. We are grateful for Father Dave's services as a Weekend Priest Presenter, and from time to time, we also present him with two other couples to get a Retrovaille weekend going. It is ran by a Manila board composed of couples committed to help heal troubled marriages. A second Diocesan outreach is in Antipolo; another is in Tagaytay.

Retrovaille does not have an office, thus some of the queries are directed to Fr. Dave Clay at the Columban office mentioned in your article. Father Dave is a counselor, which enables him to invite troubled couples to participate in the Retrovaille programs, composed of four phases: The interview, the weekend, the six follow-up sessions and the CORE, an acronym for Continuing Our Retrovaille Experience.

Thank you for helping us disseminate information about Retrovaille through your widely read newspaper.

WILLIE AND ALETH HERNANDEZ
31 East 4th St. Angela Village,
Las Piñas City

Thank you for the information. I learned about Retrovaille through a friend who is a telephone counselor at the Light of Jesus Counseling Center, where trained counselors listen and give free advice from 9 a.m.-10 p.m. (tels. 412-2372/73).

Those who wish to get in touch with Fr. David Clay can call (0918) 902-0511. Other Retrovaille counselors are Ike and Flor Carlos, (718-0689); Joe and Ting Jimenez (927-3905); Ruby del Castillo (932-8413/932-3750) and Tessie (0917-538-8970).

While telephone counseling is for free, the Retrovaille will, of course, appreciate donations.

E-mail titadulce@netscape.net or send letters to P.O. Box 2353, Makati CPO 1263 Makati City, or PDI, Chino Roces Avenue corner Yague and Mascardo Streets, Makati City

SUNFLOWER LADY. Hair and makeup artist Cecil Cabulao won the amateur category in the Hairstyle and Makeup Trends 2001. Other winners in the amateur division were Noel Angeles and Ramon Lumapas. The winners in the professional division were Jackie Rivera, Ronald Sy, Phillip Yalong, Larry Medina, Marvin Abla, Oscar Cabalitis.

GAMEWORLD™
Inter-Computer Game Tournament 2001
GLORIETTA ACTIVITY CENTER
AYALA CENTER, MAKATI CITY, PHILIPPINES
JULY 12-13, 2001
ALL GAMES. ALL COMPUTERS.

1st Prize - Php 30,000.00 in Cash
Five (5) Palm Pilots
2nd Prize - Php 15,000.00 in Cash
Five (5) Philips GSM Cellphones
5on5 Counter-Strike Tournament

1st Prize - Php 5,000 + Inno3D GeForce 2 MX200 Video Card
2nd Prize - Php 3,000 + Inno3D GeForce 2 MX200 Video Card
3rd Prize - Inno3D GeForce 2 MX200 Video Card
Inno3D Quake III Fragfest

Build your Own Rig - Php 5,000.00 in Cash
Abit KT7E Socket A Motherboard
Best SoftMenu Overclocker - Php 2,000.00 in Cash
Most Innovative Set-up - Php 2,000.00 in Cash
Abit PC Overclocking Competition

Counter-Strike 5on5 Tournament
Inno3D Quake III Fragfest
Abit Overclocking Competition
Inter-Active Technology Showcase
Gameworkshops

Presented by
PHILIPS
ABIT
inno3D
LYCOS www.lycos.com.ph

Supported by
APC
pinoyjix
Media Sponsors
IT UPDATE
[V]

Register at
www.gameworldmanila.com

Organized by
media marketing incorporated Tel (632) 752-3936, (632) 751-5200; e-mail: emedia@info.com.ph

Counter-Strike, Quake III are properties of its respective owners.

Mauntog sa Katotohanan.
Ibang Proteksyon ang Kailangan ng Exfoliating Skin.

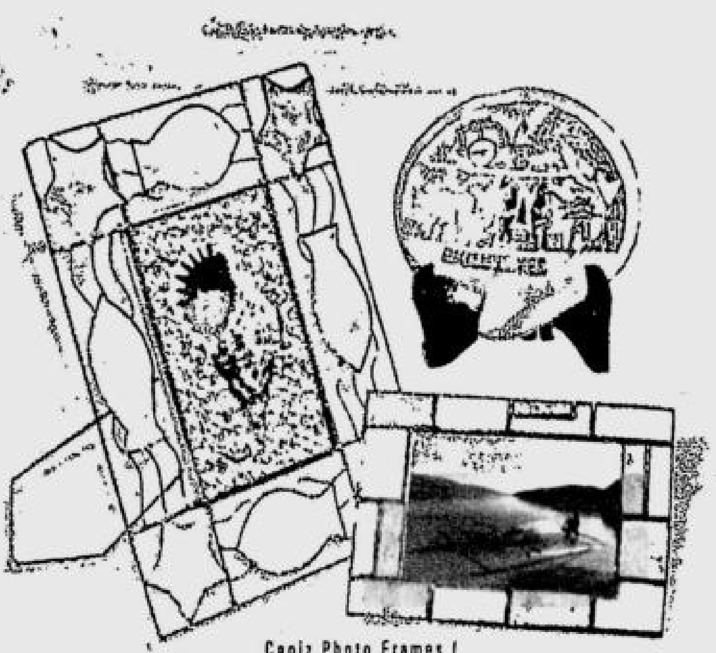
extraderm
Exfoshield face powder

Ito lang ang may SkinShield! A hypoallergenic formulation that shields your sensitive, exfoliating skin from dirt, pollution and harmful UV rays. What's more, it absorbs excess oil better para hindi shiny ang face mo. Kaya hubarin ang helmet at harapin ang totoo: Extraderm Exfoshield Face Powder ang perfect for exfoliating skin!

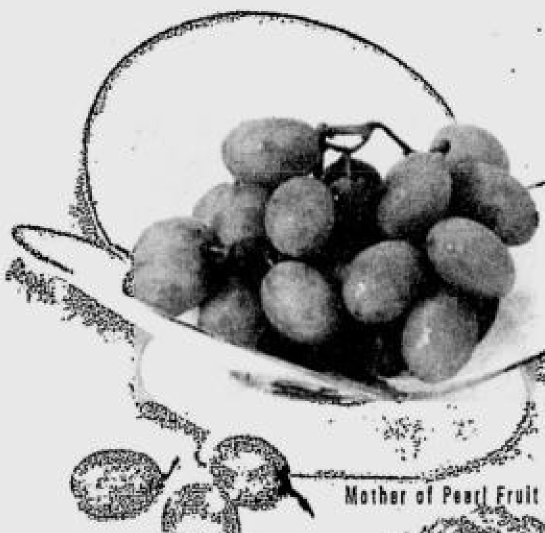
extraderm
SPLASH
SPLASH Research Institute

We value your queries, comments & suggestions. Write to Customer Care Center P. O. Box Number 1120 Quezon City Central P. O. 1151 or call Tel. Nos. 930-6641 (GMA), 1-800-1-888-7724 (Domestic, Toll Free-Outside GMA) or e-mail at custcare@splashphil.com or fax at 450-2405 & 453-1764. Philippine Copyright 2000 Splash Manufacturing Corporation.

At the Philippine Crafts Department



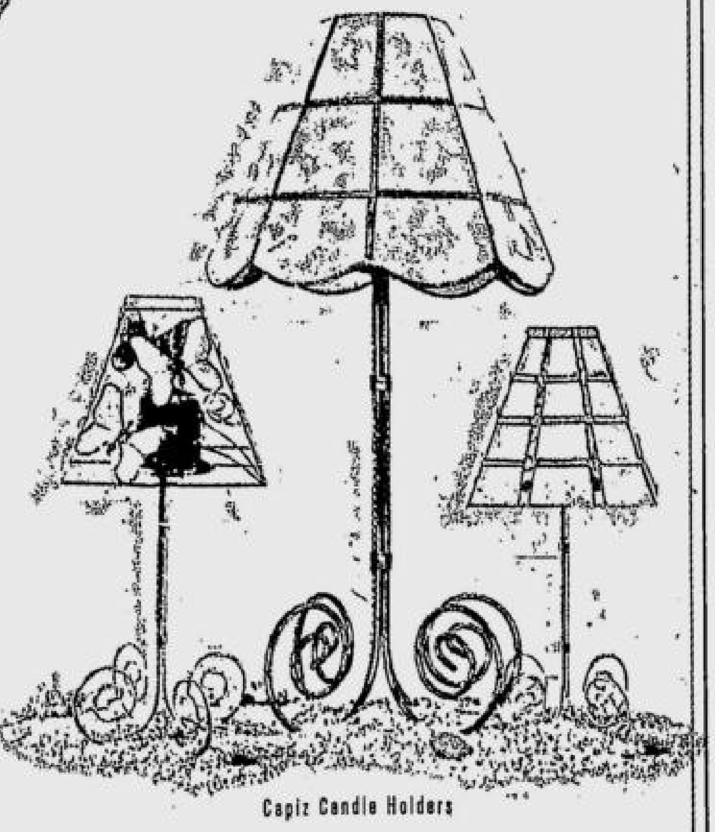
Capiz Photo Frames /
Mother of Pearl Plate Decor



Mother of Pearl Fruit Dish

Best of VISAYAS
Distinctive shellcraft fashioned by Visayan artisans.
Proudly presented by the Philippine Crafts Department

Mother of Pearl Brooches



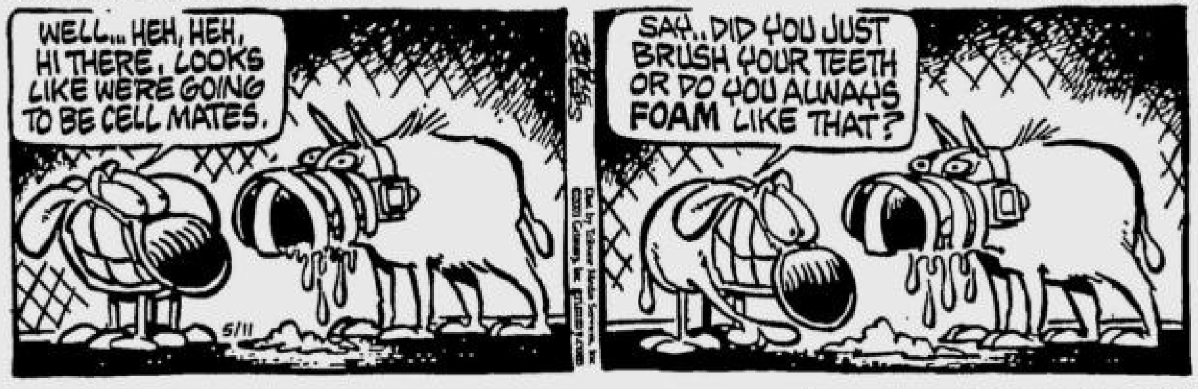
Capiz Candle Holders

We've got it all for you!
SM DEPARTMENT STORE

QUIAPO • MAKATI • CUBAO • HARRISON • NORTH EDSA • STA. MESA • ORTIGAS • LAS PIÑAS • BACOOR • FAIRVIEW • MANILA • PAMPANGA • ILOILO • CEBU

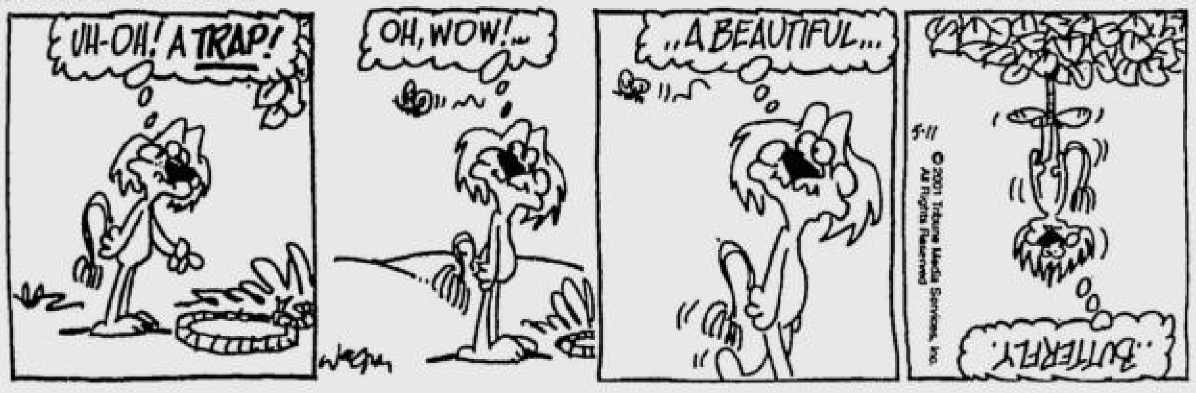
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

BY MIKE PETERS


WELL... HEH, HEH, HI THERE. LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO BE CELL MATES.
5/11
SAY.. DID YOU JUST BRUSH YOUR TEETH OR DO YOU ALWAYS FOAM LIKE THAT?

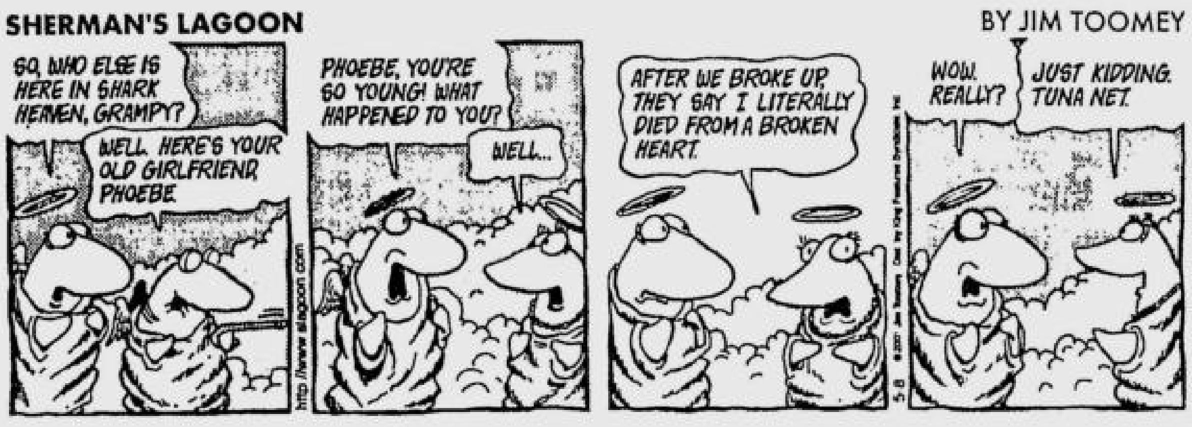
ANIMAL CRACKER

BY FRED WAGNER


UH-OH! A TRAP!
OH, WOW!...
...A BEAUTIFUL...
...BUTTERFLY.
5-11
© 2001 Tribune Media Services, Inc. All Rights Reserved

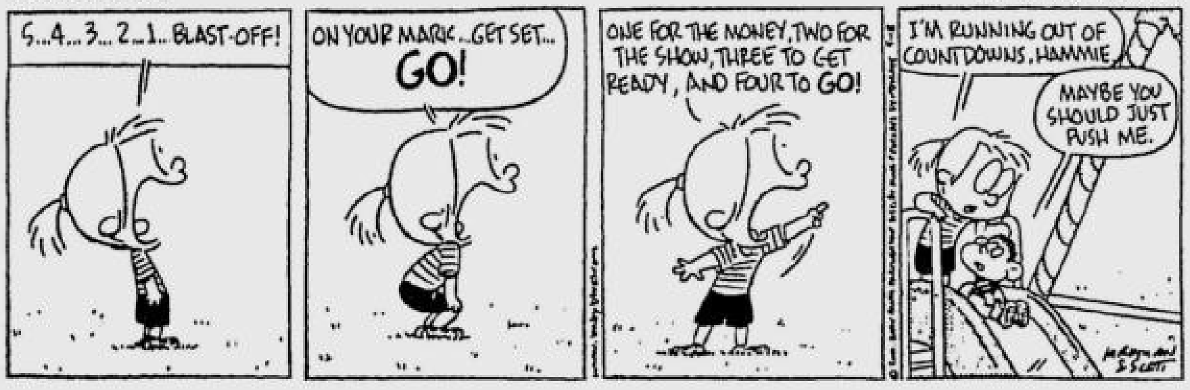
SHERMAN'S LAGOON

BY JIM TOOMEY


SO, WHO ELSE IS HERE IN SHARK HEAVEN, GRAMPY?
WELL. HERE'S YOUR OLD GIRLFRIEND PHOEBE.
PHOEBE, YOU'RE SO YOUNG! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
WELL...
AFTER WE BROKE UP, THEY SAY I LITERALLY DIED FROM A BROKEN HEART.
WOW. REALLY?
JUST KIDDING. TUNA NET.
http://www.slagoon.com
5-8

BABY BLUES

BY JERRY SCOTT


5...4...3...2...1... BLAST-OFF!
ON YOUR MARK... GET SET... GO!
ONE FOR THE MONEY, TWO FOR THE SHOW, THREE TO GET READY, AND FOUR TO GO!
I'M RUNNING OUT OF COUNTDOWNS, HAMMIE.
MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST PUSH ME.

HOROSCOPE

BY EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Harry Nilsson, Waylon Jennings, Helen Hunt, Courteney Cox, Ice Cube, Neil Patrick Harris, James Belushi

Happy Birthday: You have a keen sense of what is going on behind the scenes. Your excellent memory and wide-ranging perspective will lead you in a positive and progressive direction. The dramatic, know-it-all approach will finally pay off by drawing the attention of those you encounter. Your numbers: 15, 18, 21, 25, 27, 40

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Business opportunities will develop through individuals you meet at work. Concentrate on your professional rather than personal life. Your creative talent will bring positive results.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Instant romance will develop through educational pursuits, friends or travel. Be open and aware of someone who mentally stimulates you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Someone is watching you from a distance. Keep your eyes peeled for romantic opportunities. Try to become involved in worthwhile groups, but watch that these organizations don't cost too much.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your interest in foreign cultures will open doors that lead to different philosophies. Your partner is not likely to be pleased with your changing outlook.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Children will make a big difference, helping you view life's little problems in a more humorous, positive manner. If you can laugh at yourself, you can cope with any setback.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Consider the future. Establish your direction and prospective accomplishments. Sit down and come up with the formula that will work best for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't let the disharmony around you cause ill health. If you can't handle the heat, get out of your kitchen. You don't have to put up with an unpleasant situation, but it's up to you to move on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't let anyone in on your plans. Secret information may be revealed accidentally, so don't give even best friends any information about your intentions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You and your mate really need to get away. Find a way to improve your looks; it's time that you brought yourself up to date. Change your hair or buy some fashionable clothes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll have the energy to put the house in order and make positive changes. Don't let anyone stand in your way. The more you accomplish, the better you'll feel.

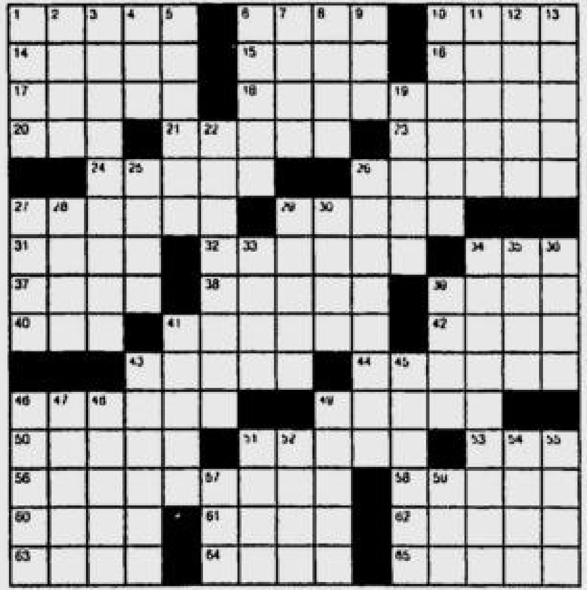
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll be annoyed if someone is spreading rumors about you. Try to ignore it. The best revenge is doing well and being successful in your ventures.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Open your home for group meetings. If you assume a leadership position, you will earn support. Express your ideas and thoughts regarding future meetings.

Birthday Baby: You're a powerful individual and quick to respond to any situations. You have the discipline to see any matter through to the end. You're a contributor and an asset to any groups you join throughout life.

DAILY CROSSWORD

TMSPuzzles@aol.com



By Jim Page
New York, NY

4/30/01

ACROSS
1 Indian state
6 Turnpike exit
10 Meal mixture
14 San __, CA
15 Nastase of tennis
16 Coastal Bruins' letters
17 Take in pants
18 Plug in!
20 Witticism
21 1990 Whoopi Goldberg movie
23 Brother's daughter
24 Studio sign
26 Wrench apart
27 Closing seams
29 Egg-producing organ
31 Soon
32 Affixed to this
34 Begley and Meese
37 2000 candidate
38 Crib activity?
39 Break sharply
40 Make a request
41 Thighbones
42 Sicily peak
43 Military bigwigs
44 Lift hooves, say
46 Keystroke mini-programs
49 Escapee
50 Oriental
51 Evita of Argentina
53 "Born in the __"
56 Attack verbally
58 Lush
60 Cracker cheese
61 Looks after the children
62 German sub
63 Evening in Venice
64 Art sch. subj.
65 Ice-cream containers

DOWN
1 Genesis man
2 Farm building
3 Get cracking
4 Long, long time
5 King Arthur's sister, __ le Fay
6 Strictness
7 Pint drinks
8 Catcher's catcher
9 Church seat
10 Marine rebellion
11 Was sore
12 Pizza piece
13 Bigot
19 Entomb
22 Bounding main
25 Half a golf course
26 Brazilian metropolis
27 Heroic story
28 Seth's son
29 Cookie sandwiches
30 Swerve
33 Eugene O'Neill's trees
34 Start out
35 Delany or Carvey
36 Go a few rounds
39 Bone dry
41 Line of battle
43 Kind of bull
45 Curbed, as emotions
46 Men's choir, e.g.
47 Guarded comment
48 Wrapped Havana
49 Chilly coating
51 Nabokov novel
52 R & B singer James
54 Usher
55 Martial __
57 Old Testament bk.
59 __-Wan Kenobi

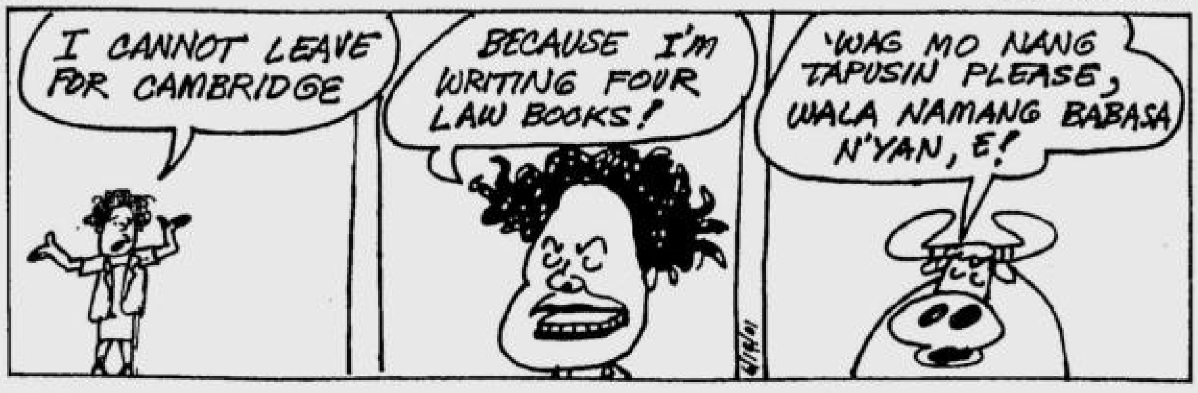
PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

S	A	B	R	I	N	A	■	G	R	A	S	S	E	S
E	N	R	I	C	O	S	■	R	A	C	I	E	S	T
E	N	E	M	I	E	S	■	A	G	I	T	A	T	E
S	U	E	■	E	L	A	P	S	E	D	■	W	E	E
A	L	D	E	R	■	Y	I	P	S	■	G	A	L	L
W	E	E	D	■	H	E	N	S	■	L	I	L	L	E
S	T	R	I	V	E	R	S	■	S	I	D	L	E	D
■	■	■	F	I	R	S	T	H	A	N	D	■	■	■
B	A	B	I	E	S	■	R	O	W	D	Y	I	S	M
E	P	E	E	S	■	D	I	P	S	■	A	N	N	A
S	P	A	S	■	D	U	P	E	■	A	P	S	E	S
T	A	M	■	D	I	R	E	F	U	L	■	T	E	T
O	R	I	F	I	C	E	■	U	T	I	L	I	Z	E
F	E	L	I	N	E	S	■	L	A	B	E	L	E	R
F	L	Y	B	O	Y	S	■	S	H	I	E	L	D	S

(C)2001 Tribune Media Services, Inc All rights reserved. 4/30/01

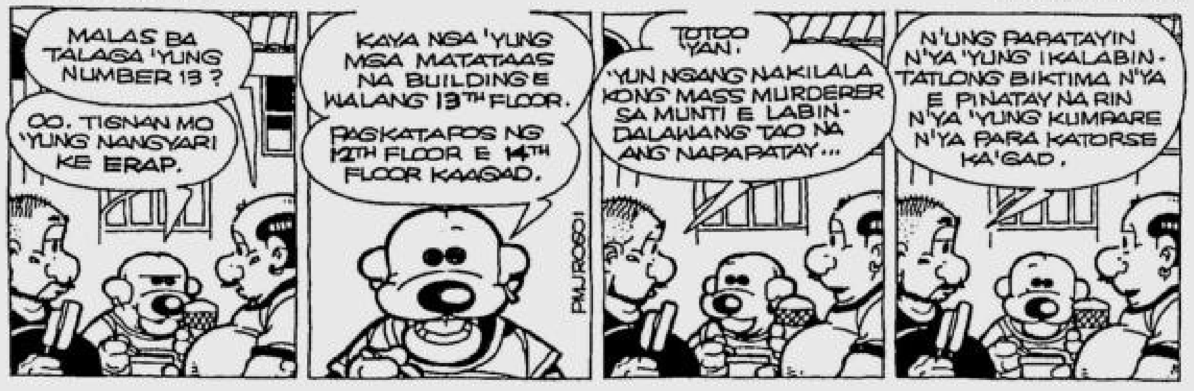
A. LIPIN

BY JESS ABRERA


I CANNOT LEAVE FOR CAMBRIDGE
BECAUSE I'M WRITING FOUR LAW BOOKS!
'WAG MO NANG TAPUSIN PLEASE, WALA NAMANG BABASA N'YAN, E!

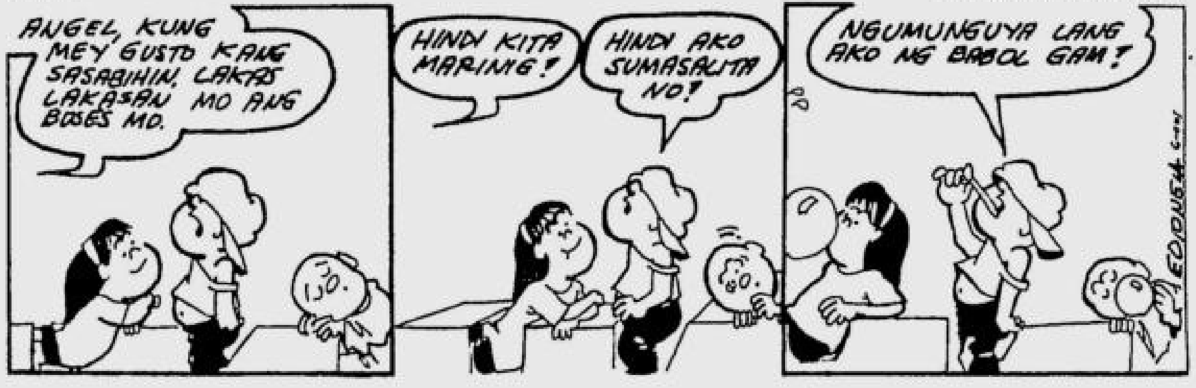
PUGAD BABOY

BY P.M. JUNIOR


MALAS BA TALAGA 'YUNG NUMBER 13?
OO. TIGNAN MO 'YUNG NANGYARI KE ERAP.
KAYA NGA 'YUNG MGA MATATAAS NA BUILDING E WALANG 13TH FLOOR.
PAGKATAPOS NG 12TH FLOOR E 14TH FLOOR KAAGAD.
PMJR0501
TOTOO 'YAN.
'YUN NGANG NAKILALA KONG MASS MURDERER SA MUNTI E LABINDALAWANG TAO NA ANG NAPAPATAY...
N'UNG PAPATAYIN N'YA 'YUNG IKALABINTATLONG BIKTIMA N'YA E PINATAY NA RIN N'YA 'YUNG KUMPARE N'YA PARA KATORSE KA'GAD.

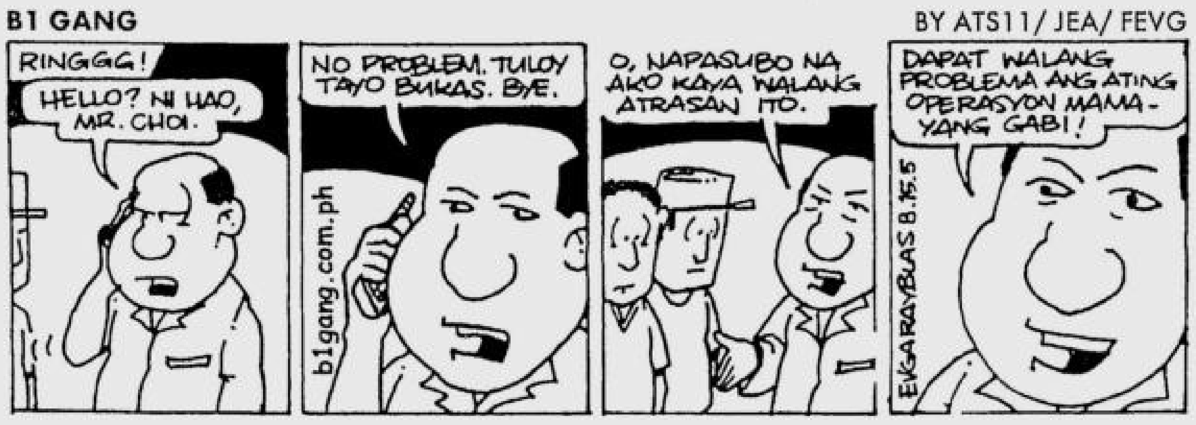
SIMO

BY EDGAR DIONELA


ANGEL, KUNG MEY GUSTO KANG SASABIHIN, LAKAS LAKASAN MO ANG BOSES MO.
HINDI KITA MARINIG!
HINDI AKO SUMASALITA NO!
NGUMUNGUYA LANG AKO NG BABOL GAM!
EDIONELA

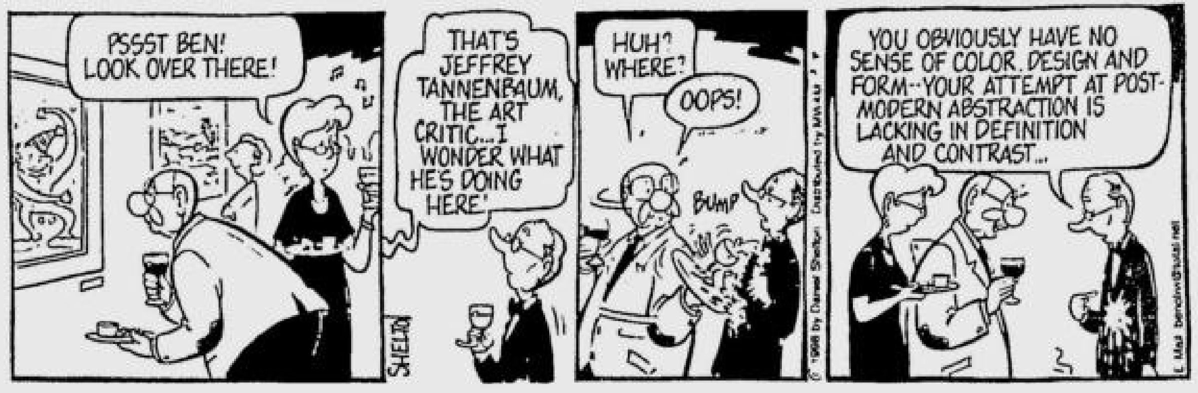
B1 GANG

BY ATS11/ JEA/ FEVG


RINGGG!
HELLO? NI HAO, MR. CHOI.
NO PROBLEM. TULOY TAYO BUKAS. BYE.
b1gang.com.ph
O, NAPASUBO NA AKO KAYA WALANG ATRASAN ITO.
DAPAT WALANG PROBLEMA ANG ATING OPERASYON MAMAYANG GABI!
EVGARAYBLAS 8.15.5

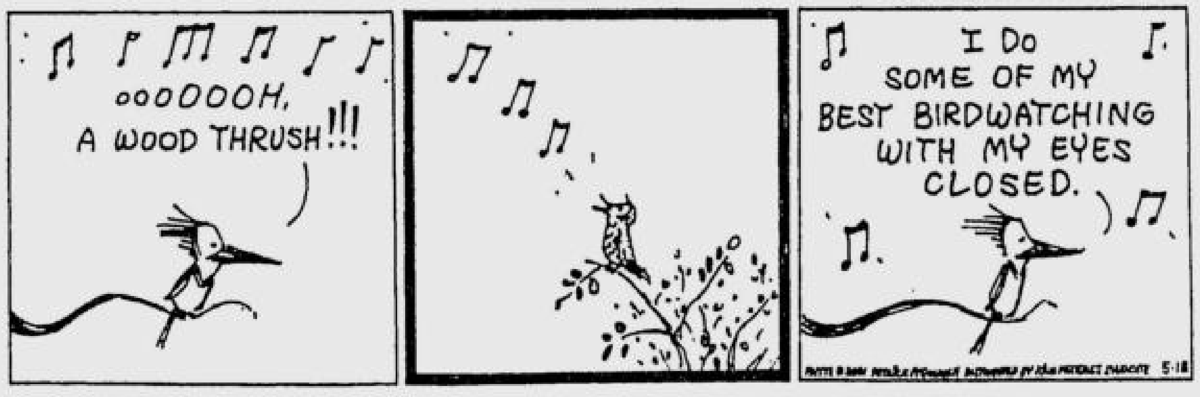
BEN

BY DANIEL SHELTON


PSSST BEN! LOOK OVER THERE!
SHELTON
THAT'S JEFFREY TANNENBAUM, THE ART CRITIC... I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING HERE.
HUH? WHERE?
OOPS!
BUMP
YOU OBVIOUSLY HAVE NO SENSE OF COLOR, DESIGN AND FORM--YOUR ATTEMPT AT POST-MODERN ABSTRACTION IS LACKING IN DEFINITION AND CONTRAST...

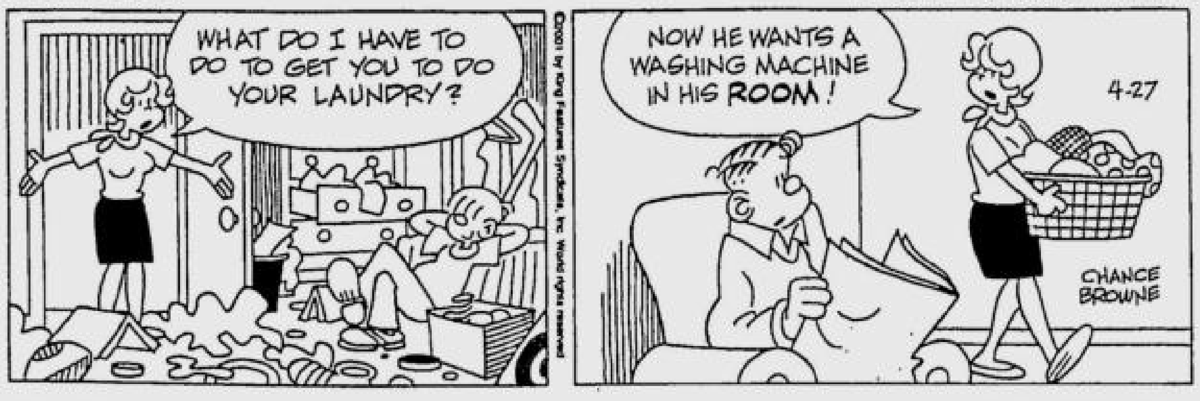
MUTTS

BY PATRICK McDONNELL


oooOOOH, A WOOD THRUSH!!!
I DO SOME OF MY BEST BIRDWATCHING WITH MY EYES CLOSED.
5-18

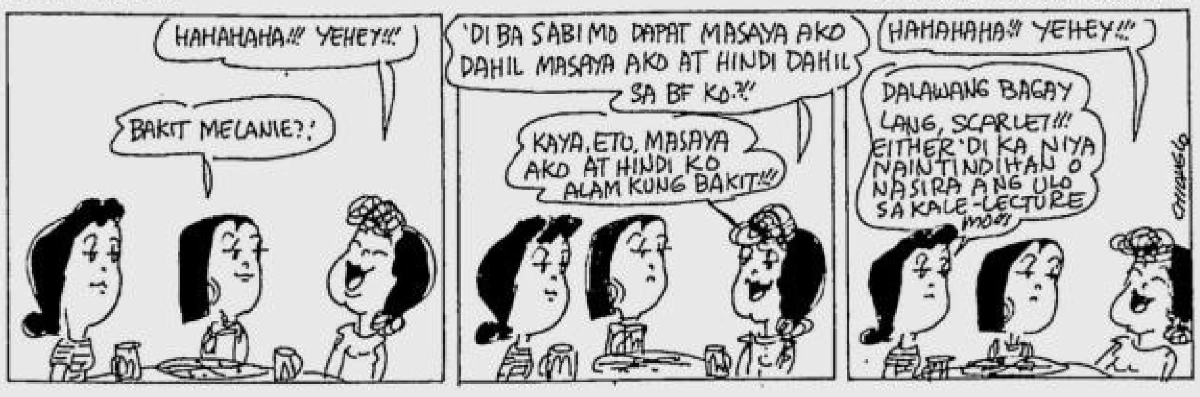
HI AND LOIS

BY BRIAN & GREG WALKER


WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO GET YOU TO DO YOUR LAUNDRY?
©2001 by King Features Syndicate, Inc. World rights reserved
NOW HE WANTS A WASHING MACHINE IN HIS ROOM!
4-27
CHANCE BROWNE

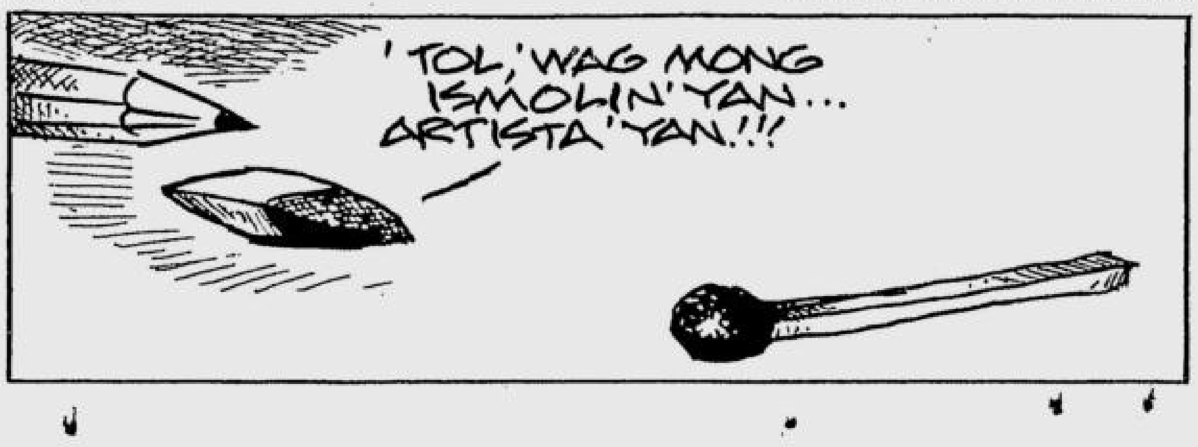
LOVEKNOTS

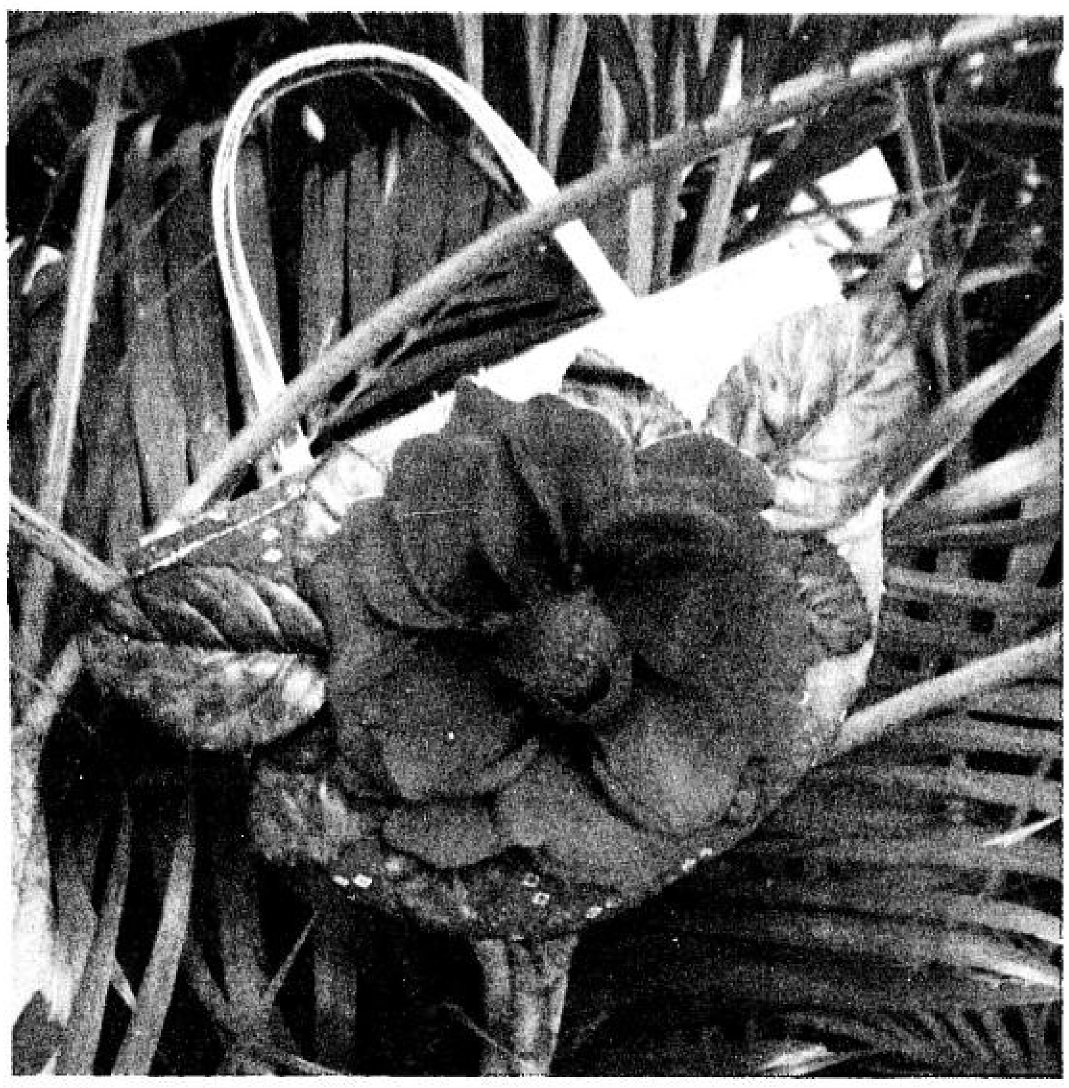
BY ELIZABETH CHIONGLO


HAHAHAHA!!! YEHEY!!!
BAKIT MELANIE?!
'DI BA SABI MO DAPAT MASAYA AKO DAHIL MASAYA AKO AT HINDI DAHIL SA BF KO?!
KAYA, ETO, MASAYA AKO AT HINDI KO ALAM KUNG BAKIT!!!
HAHAHAHA!!! YEHEY!!!
DALAWANG BAGAY LANG, SCARLET!!! EITHER 'DI KA NIYA NAINTINDIHAN O NASIRA ANG ULO SA KALE-LECTURE MO!!!
CHIONGLO

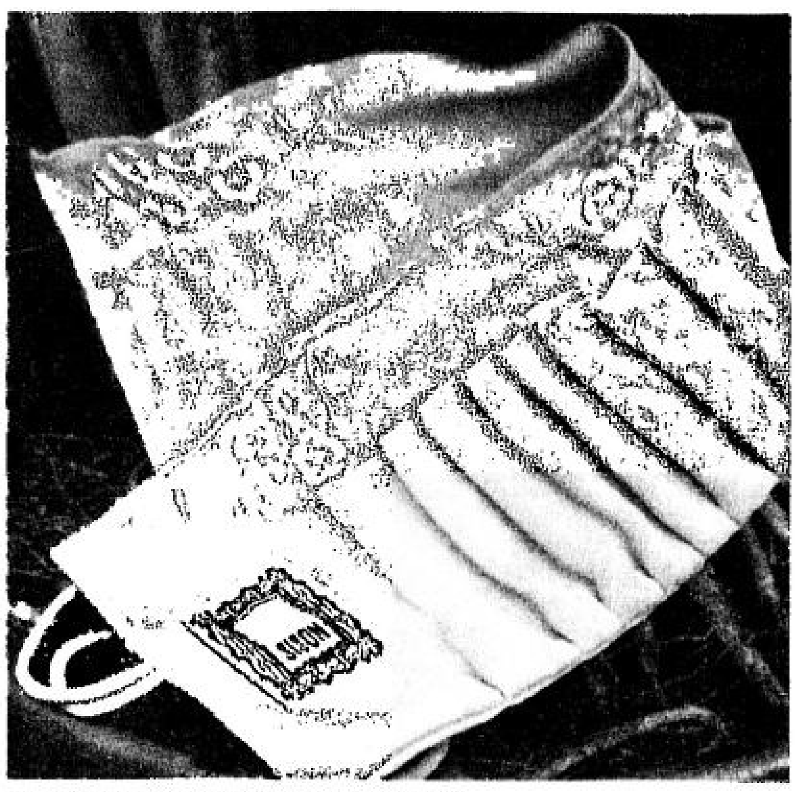
TULDOK

BY PAPU & TATUM MILAMBILING


'TOL, 'WAG MONG ISMOLIN 'YAN... ARTISTA 'YAN.!!



SMALL purse with one-sided flower



KHAKI and floral printed cigarette mat

Flower power

By Camille T. Cruz
Photos by Chito Vecina

MANY fashion emergencies occur during formal dressing when an item needed to accentuate a plain ensemble is missing. Some of us usually cannot point out what that little accessory is. To save the night, we usually resort to little floral accessories.

Flower power is not passé—it is perennial. The simplest of detail can make a difference: a cute little floral accent on your waist or a stylish floral choker around the neck.

These floral accents are usually made of silk and can be made according to your specifications. In any size and color, a floral piece can be an add-on to a small purse for semiformal evenings. The accent looks young and elegantly hip.

E-mail the author at camille_cruz@hotmail.com

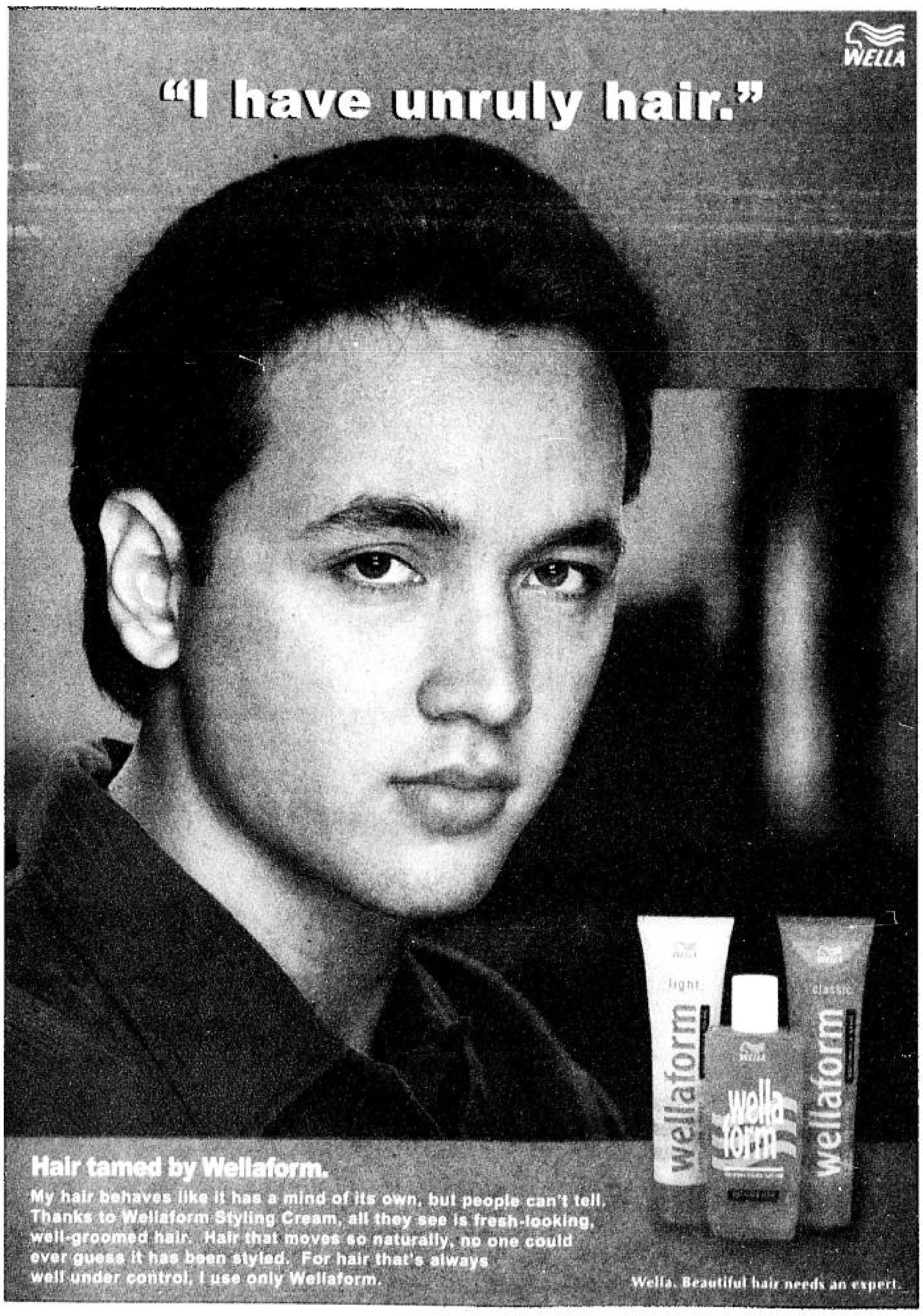
ALL ITEMS FROM
AL ESTILO DE, 2/F ROCKWELL
INFORMATION CENTER,
ROCKWELL, MAKATI CITY
(ABOVE BROTHERS' BURGER)

SILK flower pin

With floral accessories and accents, you can't go wrong

BRIGHT colored floral necktie

EVENING bag with one-sided flower



WELLA

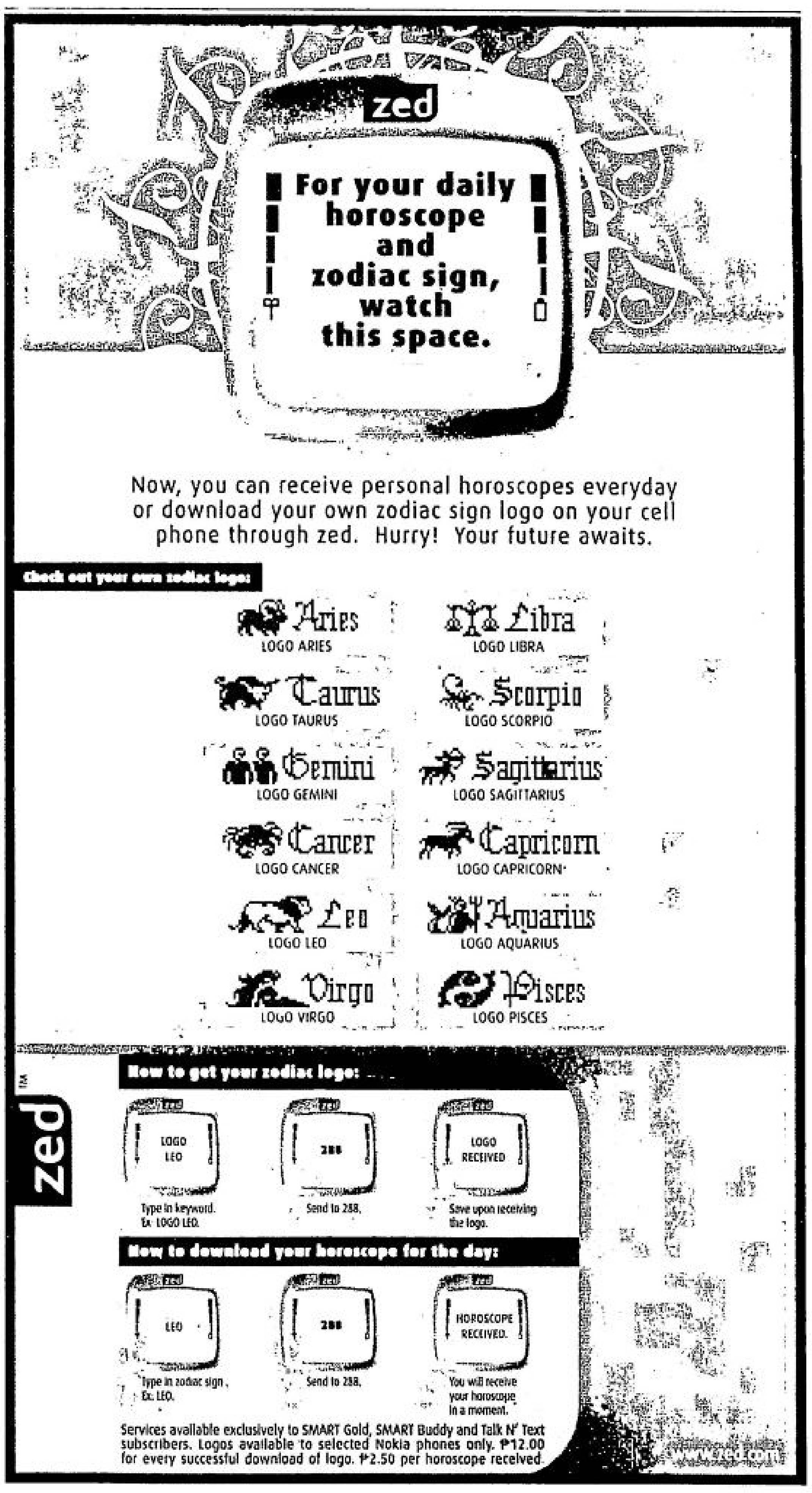
"I have unruly hair."

Hair tamed by Wellaform.

My hair behaves like it has a mind of its own, but people can't tell. Thanks to Wellaform Styling Cream, all they see is fresh-looking, well-groomed hair. Hair that moves so naturally, no one could ever guess it has been styled. For hair that's always well under control, I use only Wellaform.

Wella. Beautiful hair needs an expert.

HOROSCOPE



zed

For your daily horoscope and zodiac sign, watch this space.

Now, you can receive personal horoscopes everyday or download your own zodiac sign logo on your cell phone through zed. Hurry! Your future awaits.

Check out your own zodiac logo:

Aries
LOGO ARIES
Taurus
LOGO TAURUS
Gemini
LOGO GEMINI
Cancer
LOGO CANCER
Leo
LOGO LEO
Virgo
LOGO VIRGO
Libra
LOGO LIBRA
Scorpio
LOGO SCORPIO
Sagittarius
LOGO SAGITTARIUS
Capricorn
LOGO CAPRICORN
Aquarius
LOGO AQUARIUS
Pisces
LOGO PISCES

How to get your zodiac logo:

Type in keyword. Ex. LOGO LEO.
Send to 288.
Save upon receiving the logo.

How to download your horoscope for the day:

Type in zodiac sign, Ex. LEO.
Send to 288.
You will receive your horoscope in a moment.

Services available exclusively to SMART Gold, SMART Buddy and Talk N' Text subscribers. Logos available to selected Nokia phones only. ₱12.00 for every successful download of logo. ₱2.50 per horoscope received.
zed
LOGO
LEO
288
LOGO
RECEIVED
LEO
288
HOROSCOPE
RECEIVED.

WOW! THIS IS GREAT!

"The BRAVO HEALTH & EMERGENCY PLAN assures me that 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 12 months a year, I get Emergency Ambulance Service. Also, I receive P300.00 a day In-hospitalization Income Benefit. That's just like... I've never been away from work!"

BRAVO CARD PROVIDES IT! OUR PARTNERS GUARANTEE IT!

NOW AVAILABLE AT THE FF. AUTHORIZED DEALERS: WESTPOINT TIRES • ALLOY AUTOPARTS • VITO SALON DE BEAUX • PROFIL VENTURES • TECHLINE CAR ACCESSORIES • AUTOBACS CAR ACCESSORIES • HAPPY WHEELS CAR ACCESSORIES • TIRE BOY PHILS. • JETS TROPHY • M. G. INFINITY • CABOTE MEDICAL DENTAL CLINIC • WORD LINK COURIERS • BOSSING CAR ACCESSORIES AMILGRAHEN FURNITURES • MEMORY DRUG • ESTACIO DENTAL CLINIC • PHARMAQUICK • RED CORNER FITNESS & BOXING CENTER • CASAJE OPTICAL • SUN X GLASS • ALIKARS CAR ACCESSORIES

"I've got security and protection for just P990 A YEAR"

CALL 752-2922

KWF opens essay tilt

KOMISYON sa Wikang Filipino is now accepting entries for two essay writing contests in connection with the annual celebration of "Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa" (Aug. 1-31).

The Gawad Surian sa Sanaysay-Gantimpalang Collantes is open to all budding writers while the Gawad Komisyon sa Sanaysay is a new competition for professional and experienced writers. Deadline for submission of entries is on July 23 for amateurs and July 30 for professionals. Call 736-2526, 736-2525, 734-5547 and 736-2521.

DMC
Stitch-A-Photo®
Stitch-A-Prize

Your family. Your friend. Even your favorite vacation spot. Turn their photographs into cross-stitch. They will not only enhance your home... they can even win you big prizes! Choose your favorite pictures of people or scenery and start cross-stitching now!

- More than ₱250,000 in prizes
- Free DMC Scissors for Early Registrants
- Free framing for all finalists*
- 50% Discount on framing for all participants!*

People Category

	Winner	Store Partner
First Prize :	₱40,000	₱5,000
Second Prize :	₱20,000	₱3,000
Third Prize :	₱10,000	₱2,000
10 Finalists :	₱4,000 each	₱1,000 each
SPECIAL AWARD :	Cutest Baby ₱3,000	Store Partner ₱1,000

Scenery and Landscape Category

	Winner	Store Partner
First Prize :	₱40,000	₱5,000
Second Prizé :	₱20,000	₱3,000
Third Prize :	₱10,000	₱2,000
10 Finalists :	₱4,000 each	₱1,000 each

How to Join:

1. Just buy a Stitch-A-Photo Kit from your DMC dealer and send order form and your picture to FOCUS Global Inc., Pioneer Cor. Reliance Sts., Mandaluyong City 1550. This automatically qualifies you as a registered contestant, if you wish to join.
2. Your Stitch-A-Photo pattern and picture will be sent by mail to you within 2 weeks upon receipt. A free DMC Scissors will also be sent to you if your order form is received from June 15, 2001 to August 15, 2001.
3. Finish the cross-stitch work using the pattern. Minimum design size is 20.32cm x 25.40cm (8"x10"). Only DMC threads and DMC Aida Fabric must be used. For the people category, photo should have a maximum of three (3) people.
4. When finished, place the cross-stitch entry in a tube container and drop at the drop box located at your store partner (Where the Stitch-a-Photo kit was bought.) or send directly to FOCUS Global Inc. Be sure to include the following information: ✂

Name: ____________
Address: ____________
Tel. No: ____________
Signature: ____________
Category of Entry: ____________
Store Partner (where Kit was purchased): ____________
Store Partner Address: ____________
Stitch-A-Photo Code: ____________

**Take note of the Stitch-a-Photo code. This is the 8 digit code found on the barcode sticker at the upper right hand corner of the SAP order form.*

5. A participant can only win once per category. He/She will get the higher prize.
6. Selection of Finalists and Grand Finals Judging: February 28, 2002 at FOCUS Global Inc., Pioneer cor. Reliance Sts., Mandaluyong City at 9:00 am. The judges' decision is final.
7. Winners will be notified by registered mail and will be announced in a leading daily newspaper. Prizes may be claimed at the FOCUS Global Inc. office upon presentation of valid ID. Consolation prizes will be sent via courier.
8. Prizes are tax paid. Prizes should be claimed within 60 days from the receipt of the letter of notification, otherwise unclaimed prizes will be forfeited in favor of FOCUS Global Inc. upon approval of DTI.
9. Employees and relatives of FOCUS Global Inc., its ad and promo agencies and DMC dealers up to second degree of consanguinity or affinity are disqualified from the promo.

Schedule of Promo Activities	Judging Criteria
Submission Period : June 15 2001 to Feb 14 2002	Quality of Work : 50%
Early Registration : June 15, 2001 to Aug. 15, 2001	Overall Impact : 40%
Judging : February 28, 2002	Creativity : 10%
Retrieval of entries : April 15, 2002	
Exhibit : April 5-7, 2002	

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0503 Series of 2001

Exclusively Distributed By:
FOCUS GLOBAL, INC.
Pioneer cor. Reliance Sts. Mandaluyong City
For Inquiries Call: Tel:634-8587 • Fax:634-8738

*Framing courtesy of:
FRAMERS SUPPLIES INC.
Tel. : 926-1914 • 928-1201 • 453-0621
453-8898 Loc.101-104, 114, 115

LET THE CLASSES BEGIN

INTERNATIONAL
2 YEAR
PROGRAMS OFFERED
IN
FASHION DESIGN
&
FASHION MARKETING

PHILIPPINES INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF FASHION

SPRING TERM 2001
STARTS JULY 9, 2001
REGISTER NOW

PHILIPPINES INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF FASHION
ST. MECHTILD BUILDING,
2560 LEON GUINTO
MALATE, MANILA
PHILIPPINES
1004
TEL: (632) 524-7686 TO 89
FAX: (632) 521-2593

TWINNING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
LASALLE COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL OF CANADA AND
ST. SCHOLASTICA'S COLLEGE

I feel good!
Classic
Crew-neck
100%
COMBED
COTTON
JOCKEY®
Knows what makes you feel good.

Avail yourself of special promos and discounts on the 125th year of JOCKEY® INTERNATIONAL.
VISIT YOUR FAVORITE STORE OR OUTLET NOW!
This offer runs only until June 30, 2001

FOR FEEDBACK, TEXT US AT (0919) 661-2337 OR E-MAIL US AT LIFESTYLE@INQUIRER.COM.PH

LIFESTYLE

Home

Hidden villa at the heart of a cove

BY ALEX Y. VERGARA
PHOTOS BY WAHOO GUERRERO

OH no, not another weekend home in the middle of nowhere! From the main highway, it took us almost forever to negotiate the 4½-km stretch of uneven and winding sugarcane road to this secluded retreat in Binubusan, Batangas. After more than two hours on the road (we were lucky since the trip usually stretches to three), we were dying to reach the place hopefully with our hips and rib cages intact.

If not for the man of the house's reassuring voice over the cell phone, heaven knows where we would have ended up. Not just once did we pass long stretches of rice paddies and made several wrong turns into other people's homes as we neared Matuod, our supposed destination. Lush mountains loomed ahead, while the deep blue China Sea peaked from trees and houses to our left. This had better be good, we told ourselves, as we continued on our way.

Again, we spoke too soon. Right before us was a two-story Mediterranean-style dwelling that derives inspiration from the shapes, colors and textures of houses in Karibia Bay, said to be an upscale resort in distant Zimbabwe.

Welcome to Villa Pescador, the weekend home of Xavier "Wahoo" Guerrero and his Zimbabwe-born wife Val. Yes, Wahoo, the businessman and occasional photographer whose cutting-edge pictures regularly appear on these pages. He and Val started building the seaside house within a lush cove almost 10 years ago.

How did they learn of such a hideaway? Wahoo's grandfather, the late Don Ramon Roces of the old Manila Times, discovered the remote area during one of his trips to Matabungkay several decades ago. The once-pristine beach resort lies on the other side of the cove facing the property. "That's why I'm related to many of the families who own weekend homes in the area," says Wahoo.

Interestingly, he adds, a series of mountains shaped like a prostrate dragon separates Matabungkay from the other side of the cove facing Matuod. A concrete wall that guards the veranda mirrors the shapes of these moun-

HIDDEN/p.E3

You may be among the lucky winners...

Rustan SUPERMARKETS

Get a chance to win up to P50,000 cash!

with Rustan SUPERMARKETS Fresh Xxpresslane MEGA BINGO

Bingo! Scratch the squares on your Rustan MEGA Bingo card and match the numbers with the given patterns to win any of the cash prizes from P50 to P50,000.

Lines Horizontal & Vertical PhP 50.00
Letter "I" PhP 100.00
Four Corners PhP 200.00
Letter "X" PhP 400.00
Letter "T" PhP 1,000.00
Box PhP 50,000.00

Instant Prize Chance! Scratch the MEGA seal on your Rustan MEGA Bingo card for your chance to win from P50 to P10,000 cash.

Every P500 purchase at any Rustan Supermarkets branch or Xxpresslane outlet gives you the chance to win great cash prizes. Also get an additional Rustan MEGA Bingo card for every P300 purchase of participating products with a MEGA Bonus sticker (maximum of 6 cards per transaction).

Hurry! This MEGA-bucks bonanza is on from May 22 to August 12, 2001 only.

Our Special Thanks To: Nestea, Zesto, Mead Johnson, Century Tuna, Safeguard, Softee, Cup Noodles, Modess, Knorr, Ovaltine, Alaska, Baygon, UFC, Colgate, UCARE, Mama Sita's, eda

Value Shopping Beyond Compare

Makati • Cubao • Shangri-La Plaza • Harrison Plaza • Rockwell Center • Ali Mall • Farmers Plaza • San Antonio, Forbes Park
Monumento • Ayala Alabang • Marikina • Sta. Rosa, Laguna • Taytay • Starmall • Libertad • Fairview • Banawe • Katipunan • Cebu

See posters for details.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0663 Series of 2001

THE POWER TO LIVE THE LIFE YOU CHOOSE SMART zed™

Want to be a millionaire? Join SMART zed

Text to Mill1,000,000ons! Quiz Game

To WIN ₱1,000,000 from SMART zed on July 6, just click on your celfone to answer correctly 4 easy multiple-choice questions!

You can also win a SMART-GSM celfone daily.
To join, key in QUIZ JOIN <full name>/<address> and send to 288
Example: Quiz Join Bob Sanchez/28 Ilang-ilang St., Parañaque City

Visit www.smart.zed.com

SMART Simply Amazing!

See posters and flyers for details. Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0569 Series of 2001

Your old newspaper can still be good for something.

NEW PAPER
A GREEN IN BLACK & WHITE DRIVE

Celebrate World Ecology Month with NEW PAPER, The Inquirer's newspaper drive.

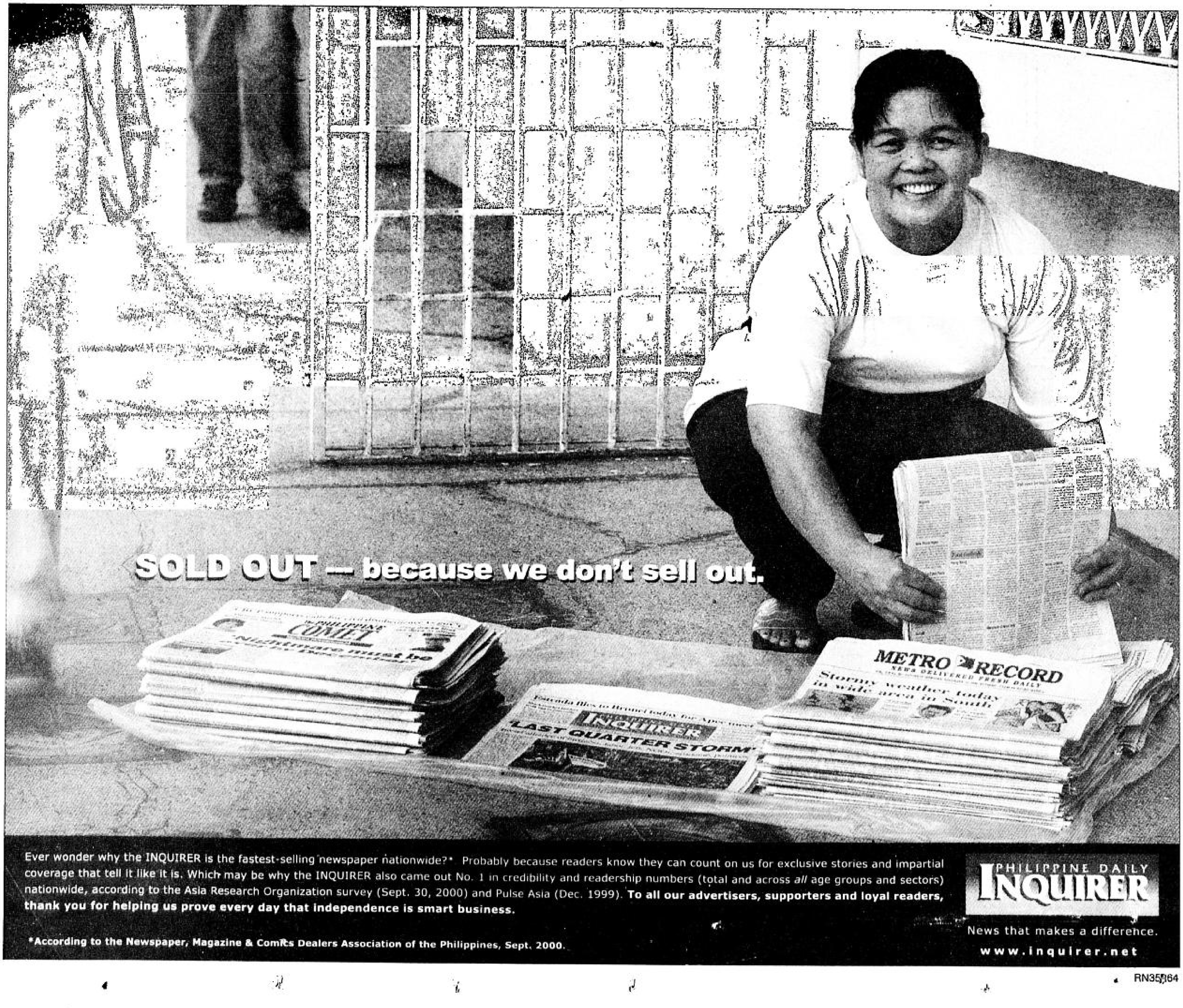
Join The Inquirer in its efforts to preserve the environment. Turn in your old newspapers to us (ANY newspaper, including broadsheet and tabloid). We'll pay you ₱3 per kilo -- and we guarantee that it will be properly recycled. Hurry and bring us your papers today -- because when it comes to the planet, old news can still be very good news. **Newspapers accepted until September 2001.**

For Individuals:
Drop off your old newspapers at
FEP Press: LRP Printing Press Loading Dock,
3817 Mascardo St., Metropolitan Ave., Makati City
Drop-off times: 8:30 am - 4 pm M - F
8:30 am - 12nn Sat

For Institutions:
Accumulate at least 200 kilos of old newspapers, and The Inquirer will pick them up from you FREE within Metro Manila.

Ready to help?
CALL 897-8808 loc 209/239

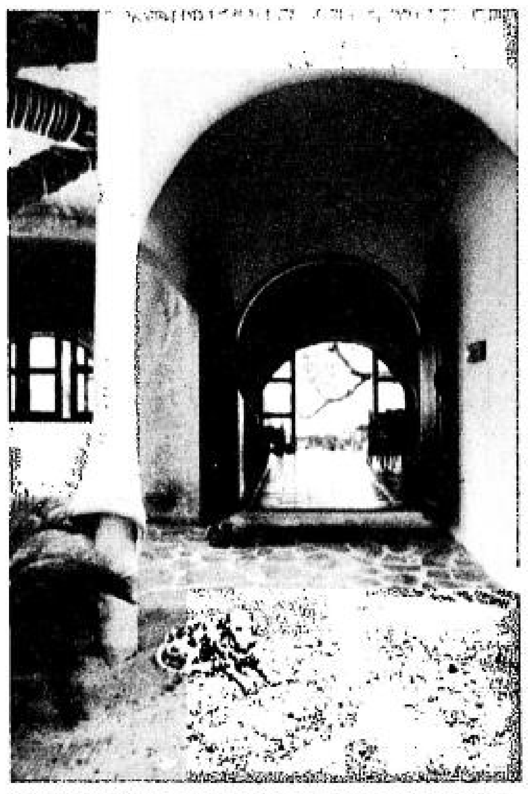
PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
News that makes a difference.
www.inq7.net


SOLD OUT — because we don't sell out.
COMET
Nightmare must be
INQUIRER
LAST QUARTER STORM
METRO RECORD
NEWS DELIVERED FRESH DAILY
Stormy weather today in wide area in South

Ever wonder why the INQUIRER is the fastest-selling newspaper nationwide?* Probably because readers know they can count on us for exclusive stories and impartial coverage that tell it like it is. Which may be why the INQUIRER also came out No. 1 in credibility and readership numbers (total and across *all* age groups and sectors) nationwide, according to the Asia Research Organization survey (Sept. 30, 2000) and Pulse Asia (Dec. 1999). **To all our advertisers, supporters and loyal readers, thank you for helping us prove every day that independence is smart business.**

*According to the Newspaper, Magazine & Comics Dealers Association of the Philippines, Sept. 2000.

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
News that makes a difference.
www.inquirer.net



THE MAIN door leading to Villa Pescador

Hidden villa at the heart of a cove

(From page E1)

tains. "Some people say the mountains are lucky. They're shaped like those surrounding Hong Kong."

Concealed

A sign of luck or not, the mountains serve to conceal the house from the prying eyes of urbanites who frequent Matabungkay. In fact, the entire house was built in such a way that it blends with its surroundings. Indeed, says Val, the muted structure hidden by lush trees is barely visible as one approaches it from the sea.

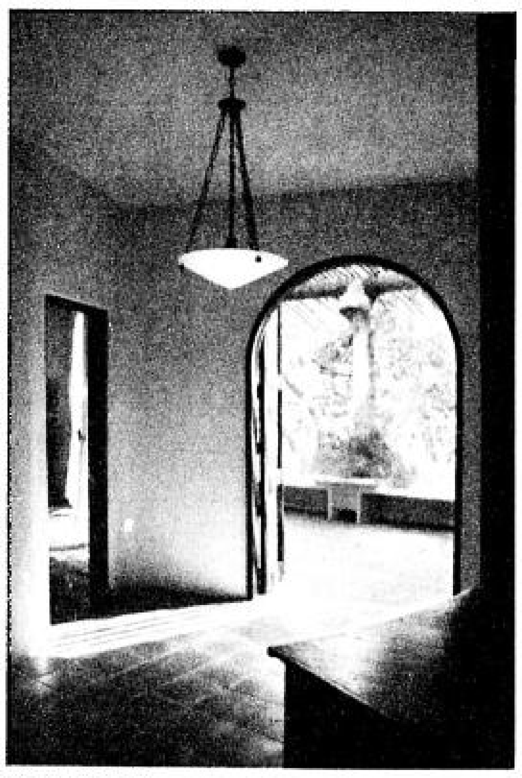
As one nears the place, however, one can see the outlines of arched double doors and windows framed in stained wood and covered by clear sheets of glass. They stand out from the house's off-white walls with an uneven finish. Cobbled stones make up the perimeter wall that separates land and sea.

"You should see the sea hit that wall during stormy weather," says Val, as she points to the "child-proof" beach beyond. "It feels good to occasionally experience nature's fury. It reminds me of how insignificant we are."

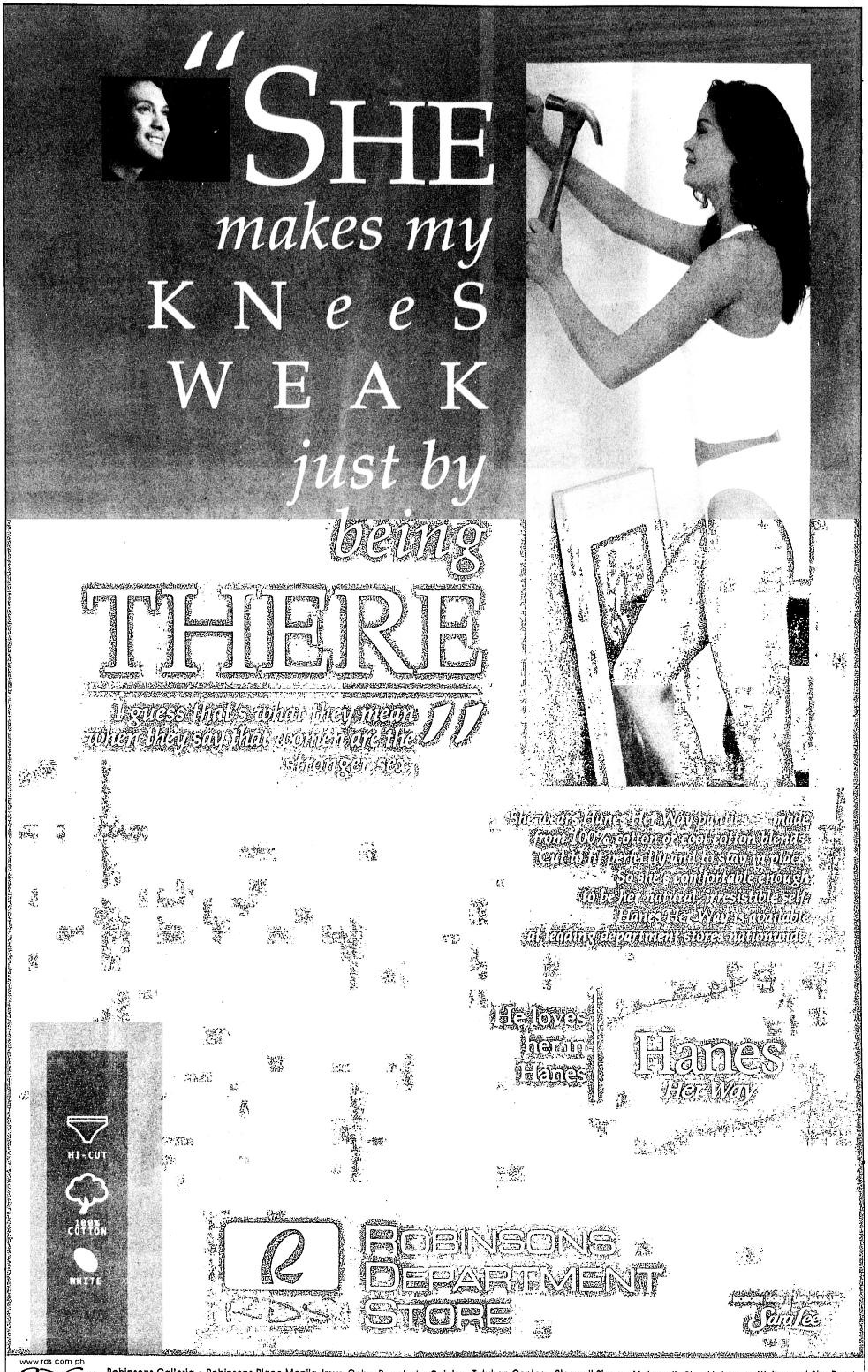
On sunny days, however, the sea within the cove is shallow enough up to a certain point for kids to safely swim in. The family also engages in such water sports as fishing, kayaking, snorkeling and jet skiing. A speedboat is parked on dry land waiting for its next trip to any of several diving points.

Several openings on the perimeter wall flanked by concrete niches that resemble miniature lighthouses lead to an outdoor terrace. The entire family, including daughter Dalia, worked on the concrete floor embedded with identical patterns of black and white stones Wahoo designed. The niches are among several lighting devices that double as wall sconce found in strategic places

HIDDEN/p.E4



UPSTAIRS foyer leading to rooms and veranda



"SHE makes my KNeeS WEAK just by being THERE

I guess that's what they mean when they say that women are the stronger sex."

She wears Hanes Her Way panties — made from 100% cotton or cool cotton blends. Cut to fit perfectly and to stay in place. So she's comfortable enough to be her natural, irresistible self. Hanes Her Way is available at leading department stores nationwide.

He loves her in Hanes

Hanes Her Way

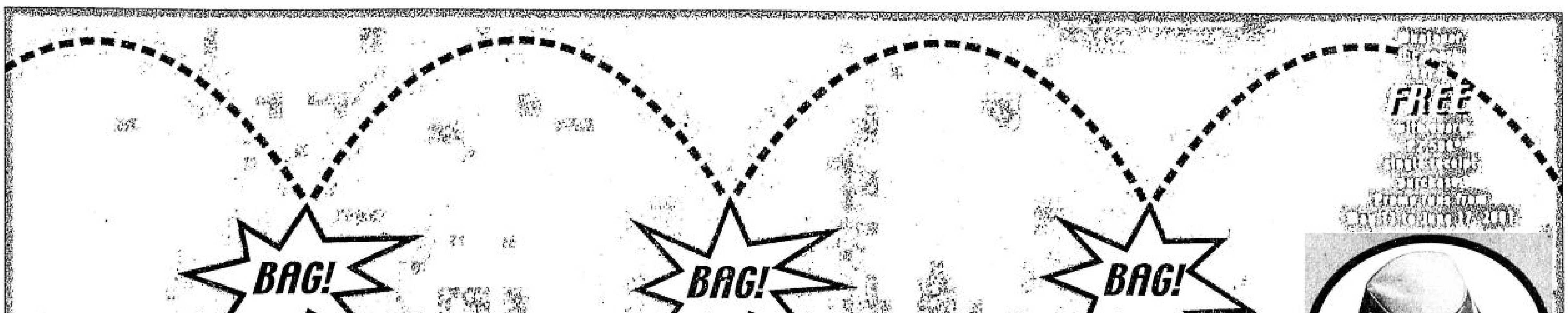
HI-CUT
100% COTTON
WHITE

ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE
RDS

Sara Lee

www.rds.com.ph

RDS @ Robinsons Galleria • Robinsons Place Manila, Imus, Cebu, Bacolod • Cainta • Tutuban Center • Starmall Shaw • Metropolis Star Alabang • Waltermart Sta. Rosa



BAG! BAG! BAG!

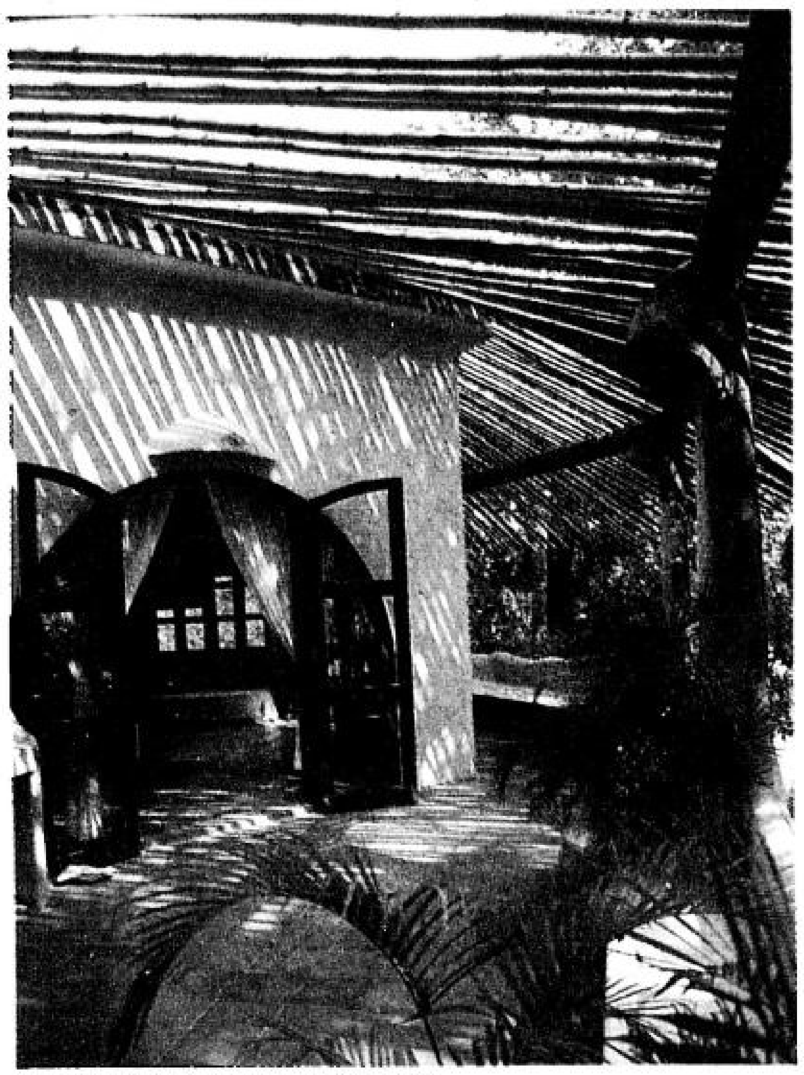
FREE

The Athlete's Foot
PLANET SPORTS
new balance
STADIUM

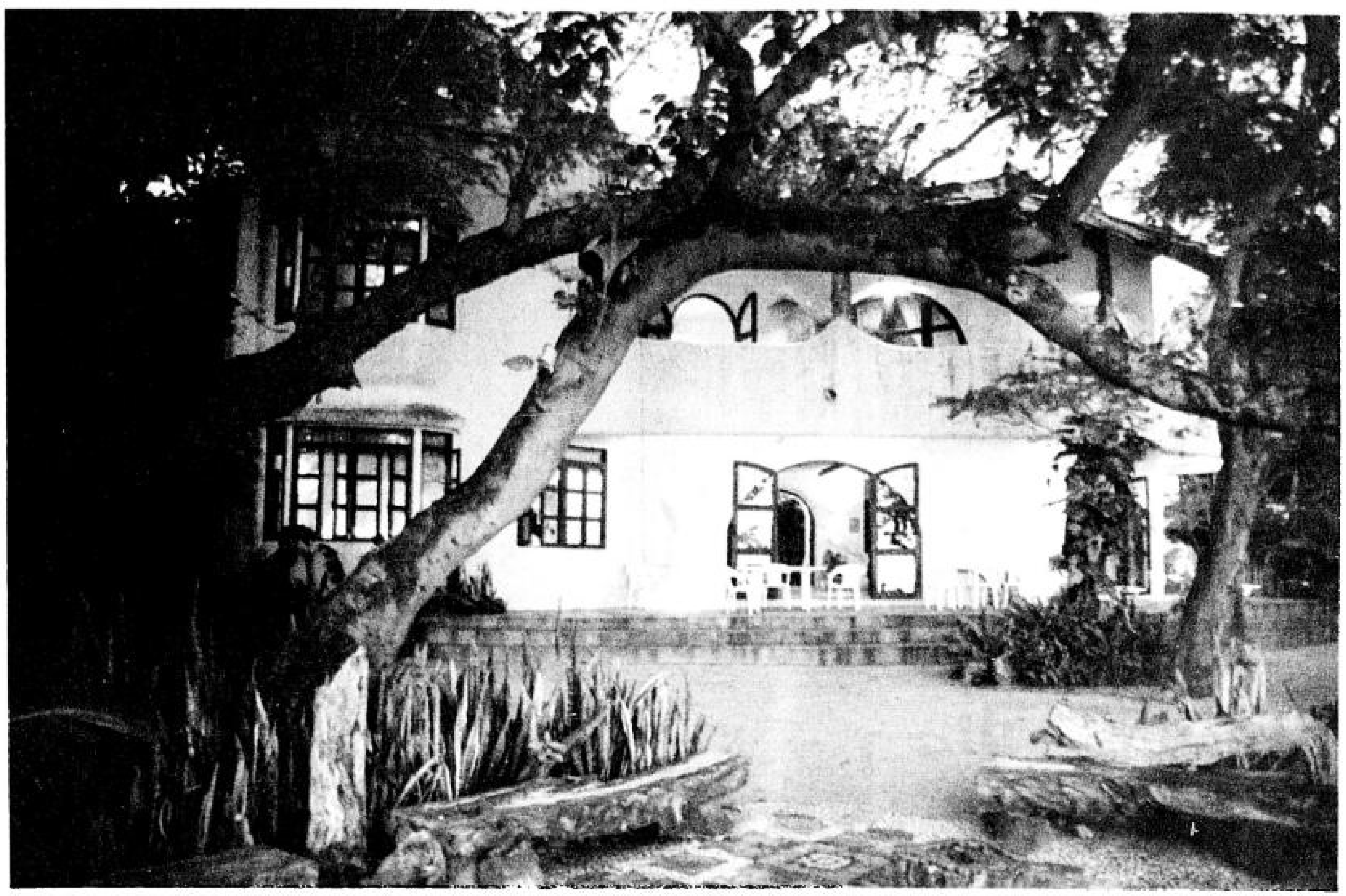
The Athlete's Foot - Unit 220, Twin Cinema Arcade, Alabang Town Center • G/F Robinson's Place Bacolod • 2/L Baguio Center Mall • 2/L Pavilion Mall Biñan • G/F Ayala Center Cebu • G/F Gaisano Mall Davao • 2/L Robinson's Place Manila • 2/L Festival Supermall Alabang • 3/L Galleria Expansion Mall Edsa • 2/L Robinson's Place Imus • 2/L Glorietta 2 Ayala Center Makati • 2/F Sta. Lucia East Grand Mall Cainta • NE Pacific Mall, Cabanatuan City • 2/F Tutuban Center Mall II, CM Recto, Manila • UG/F Unit 19 Alimall I, Araneta Center Cubao, QC • G/F Marymart Mall, Iloilo City • *Planet Sports* - 2/L Power Plant Mall Makati • 2/L Festival Supermall Alabang • Unit B-4, Karrivin Plaza, Pasong Tamo Ext., Makati • Rockwell Proshop, Rockwell Center Makati • Basement, Robinson's Place Los Baños • G/F Ayala Center Cebu • G/F Robinson's Place Cebu • *New Balance* - 2/L Festival Supermall Alabang • Selected SM Department Stores • *Nike Stadium* - 2/L Alabang Town Center Expansion New Wing • 2/L SM City Bacoor • G/L Ayala Pavilion Mall Biñan • Limketkai Mall Cagayan de Oro • UG/F SM City Cebu • Basement, SM North Edsa • UG/F SM Megamall Bldg. A • 2/L Glorietta 4 Center Makati • 3/L Isetann Recto • 2/L Shangri-La Plaza Edsa

*For regular priced items only.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No.1196 Series of 2001



THE VERANDA from another angle



FOREST FROM THE TREES. Lush growth conceals the two-story Mediterranean-inspired structure as one approaches it from the sea.

Hidden villa at the heart of a cove

An artist-businessman's hideaway in Binubusan, Batangas summons nature's grace and life's pleasures

(From page E3)

all over the house.

A pair of built-in wall sconce, for instance, provides indirect lighting by the rear door that leads to the living room. The same lighting devices are repeated in almost every room inside the house. "We had to work on them at night to come up with the desired effect," says Val. That meant demolishing anything concrete if it failed to achieve the family's desired mood.

Elevated

The entire house is elevated several feet from the ground by a concrete base. The crazy paving provides a perfect foil to the matte Vigan tiles inside. Val originally wanted a clay floor, but achieved an uneven effect just the same by joining the red tiles. "It was hard work to put them together," she says. "But I'm happy with the results."

Apart from the huge arched doors and windows, the living room's high ceiling further enhances cross ventilation. The entire ceiling is lined with bamboo poles and secured by planks of dark wood to add to the sala's texture and resort feel. Hints of American Indian and African art are reflected in jars, wall hangings and small accent pieces.

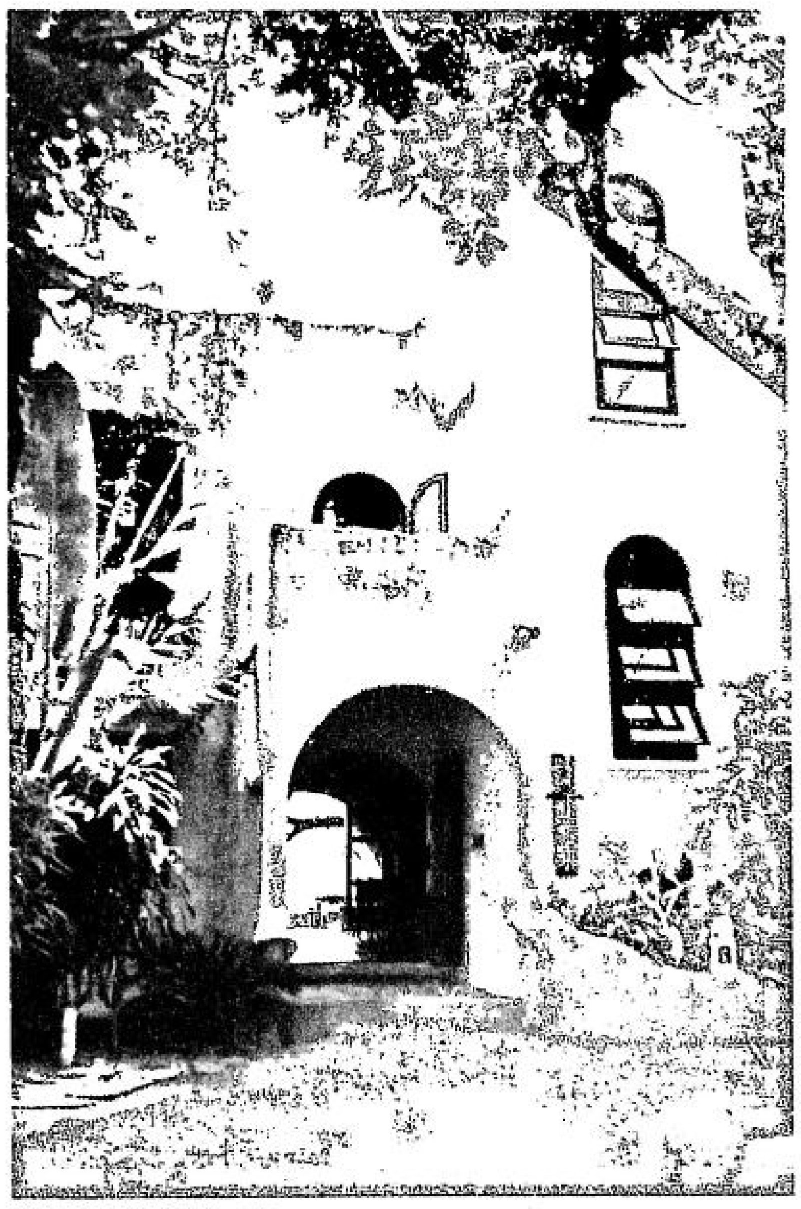
"You just don't build a house," says Wahoo. "You first check wind direction and come back another season and check it again before finally building one." Val loves the big doors and windows for a different reason: they double as picture windows that give her a sweeping view of the beach even while puttering around the kitchen. "I love to cook," she says, "but not without that magnificent view."

Several bedrooms upstairs, by the way, open to a veranda-partially-shaded from the harsh afternoon sun by numerous bamboo poles tied together by nylon rope. While the entire second floor offers a

HIDDEN/p.E6

AN ARCHED window closed in by uneven bamboo poles

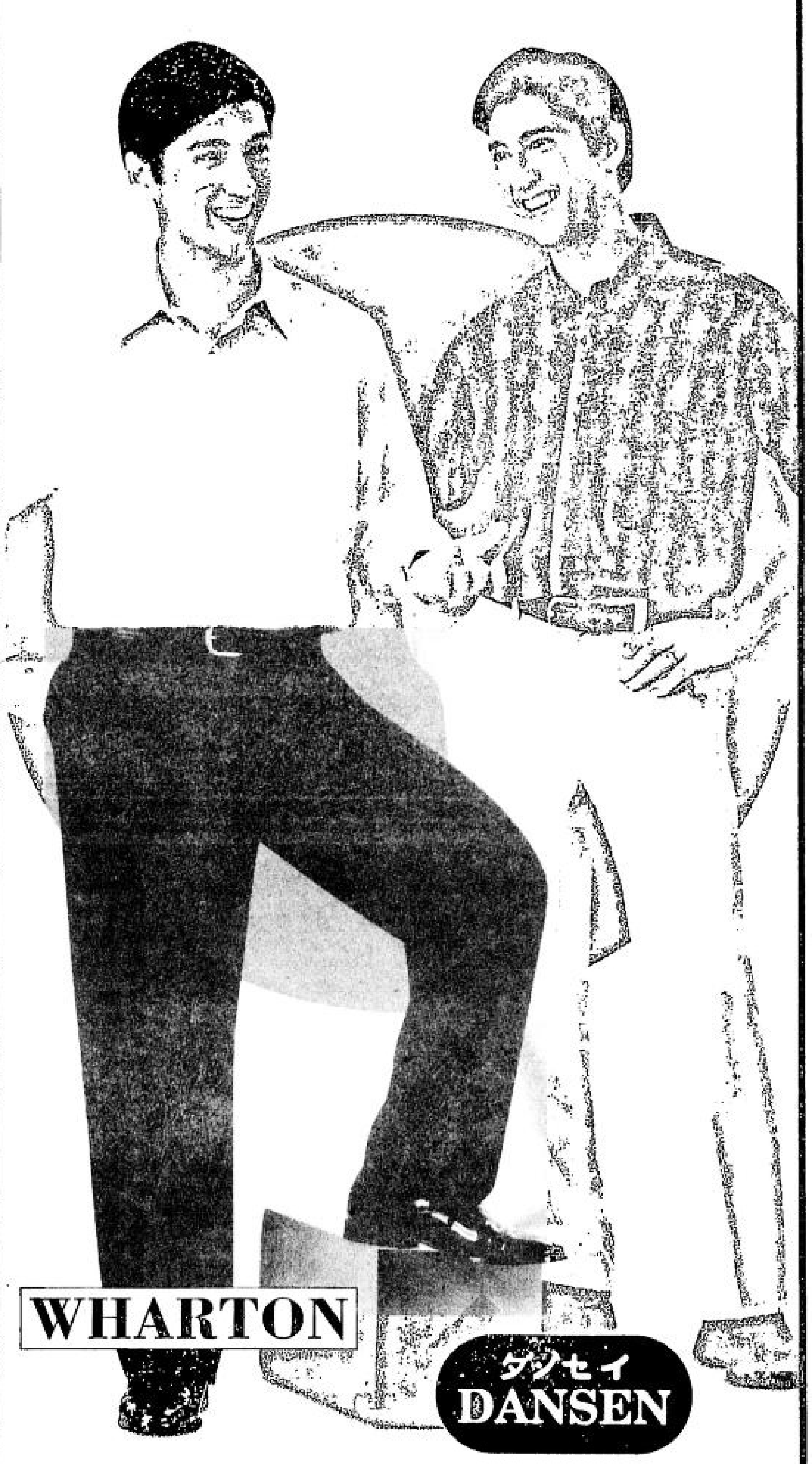
ONE of several arched doors lined with clear glass panels lead to the living room. Where the crazy paving ends, red Vigan tiles begin. Note the veranda and the bamboo canopy upstairs.



THE HOUSE'S façade

WHERE EARTH AND SEA MEET. An opening along the perimeter wall cobbled from rocks leads to an outdoor veranda fashioned from stones. Beyond the mountainous outline is Matabungkay Beach.

RDS ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE



Wharton - Available at RDS Galleria, Ermita, Cainta, Tutuban Center and Metropolis Alabang

Dansen - Available at RDS Cebu, Bacolod, Sta. Rosa and Gen. Trias

www.rds.com.ph
RDS @ Robinsons Galleria | Robinsons Place Manila, Imus, Cebu, Bacolod | Cainta
Tutuban Center | Starmall Shaw | Metropolis Star Alabang | Waltermart Sta. Rosa, Gen. Trias

CHRISTMAS DAY

BIRTHDAY

SIEMENS
SMART
SL 45
NOKIA
SMART
ERICSSON
SMART
YES
NO
R320s
SMART
FATHER'S DAY
GIFT COUPONS

FATHER'S DAY

Make Dad Wear A Really Big Smile On His Most Special Day.

MANDARIN ORIENTAL
MANILA

Local residents can get the ₱3,000++ superior room discount package and 10% off at The Brasserie, Tin Hau, and Captain's Bar.

MARKS & SPENCER

Buy any footwear with Smart Money and get a ₱250 M & S voucher. Valid from June 17-30 for men's footwear, and July 1-31 for ladies' footwear.

SHOPWISE

10 % off on all regular-priced men's apparel.

Promo Mechanics:

1. Buy a Smart celfone and receive gift coupons usable at Mandarin Oriental (Manila), Marks & Spencer, Shopwise (Pasong Tamo and Alabang), Ford (Selected Dealers). Union Motor (Paco and J. Abad Santos), Tony Roma's, and David's Salons.
2. Present the coupon to the participating sponsors to avail of the premium/discount.
3. Promo runs from June 17 to July 17, 2001. See posters for more details.

Applicable for SMART GOLD and Buddy Prepaid

For more information, visit your nearest Smart Telecenter or call 888-1111 or *888.

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0825. Series of 2001.

SMART

Simply Amazing!

Ford
PHILIPPINES

10% off on Ford merchandise and selected accessories at participating dealers.

Union Motor Corporation

MITSUBISHI MOTORS

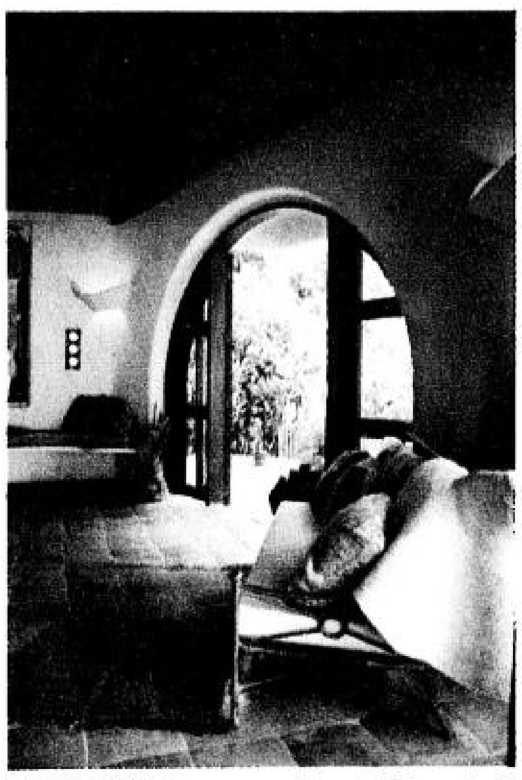
10% off on total parts & labor charges, excluding consumables and charges on body & paint-related jobs.

TONY ROMA'S
FAMOUS FOR RIBS

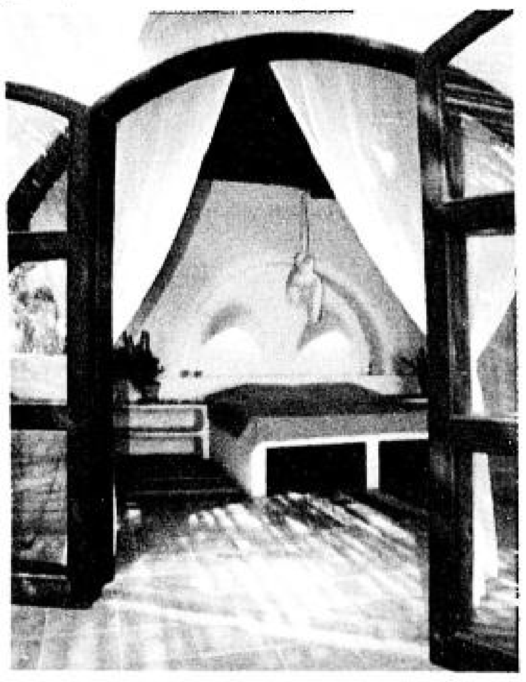
Buy one, take one on any entree. Enjoy this offer twice until July 31. (One free entree per visit.)

DAVID'S SALONS
The Best in European Hairdressing

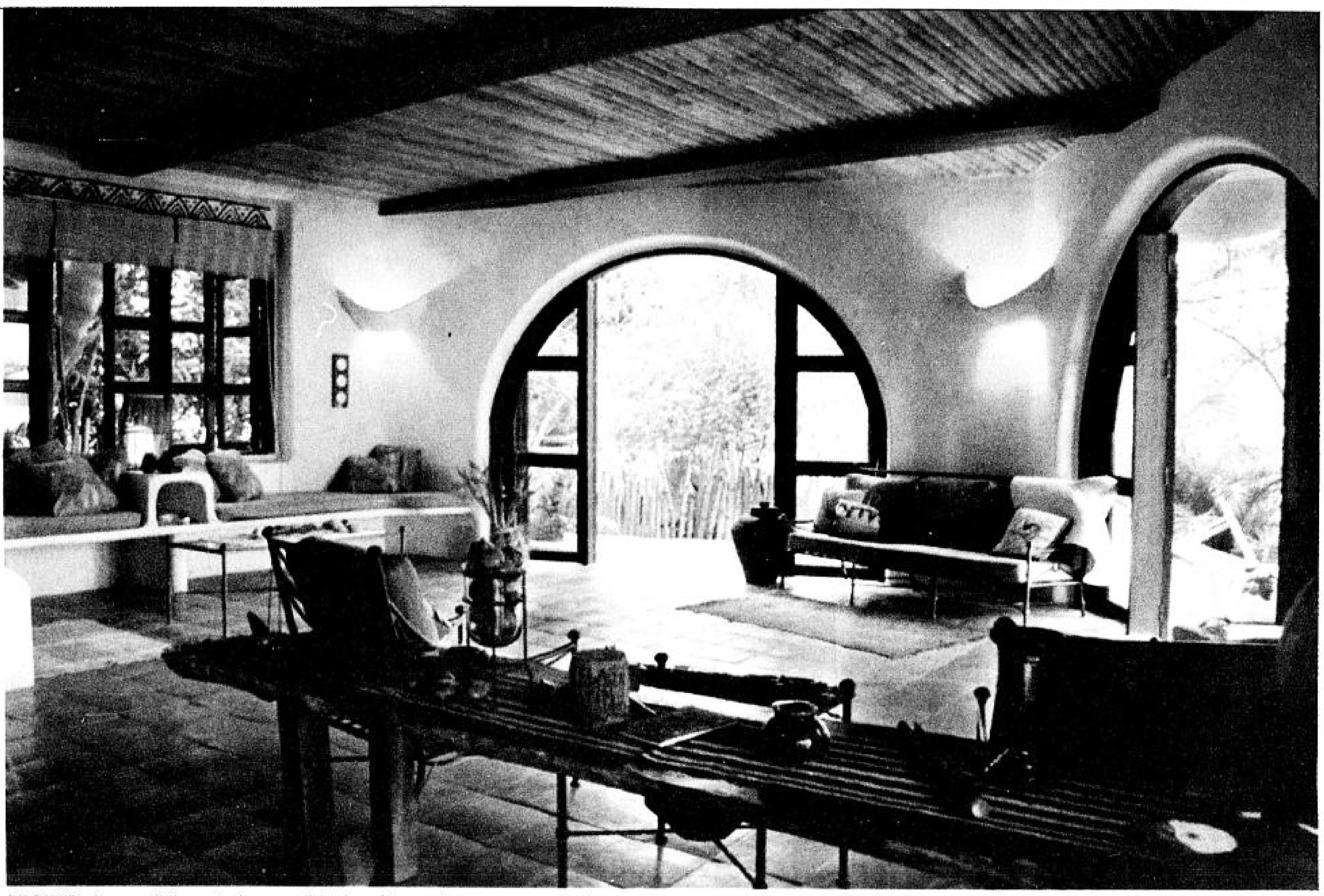
10% off on haircut and hair treatment services.



FURNITURE pieces are either built-in or built to withstand the harsh tropical environment.



BUILT-IN BASICS. Niche lighting, cubbyholes and cushioned beds with drawers



ARCHED doors, sliding windows and high ceiling enhance cross ventilation.

Hidden villa at the heart of a cove

(From page E4)

scenic view of the sea, high walls hide a section of the terrace by the master bedroom. What for?

"The place is designed for people who want to get an even tan," Val explains with a smile. "We also built a nice, big bathroom next to it." Of course, nobody's stopping guests from venturing out on the beach in their birthday suits.

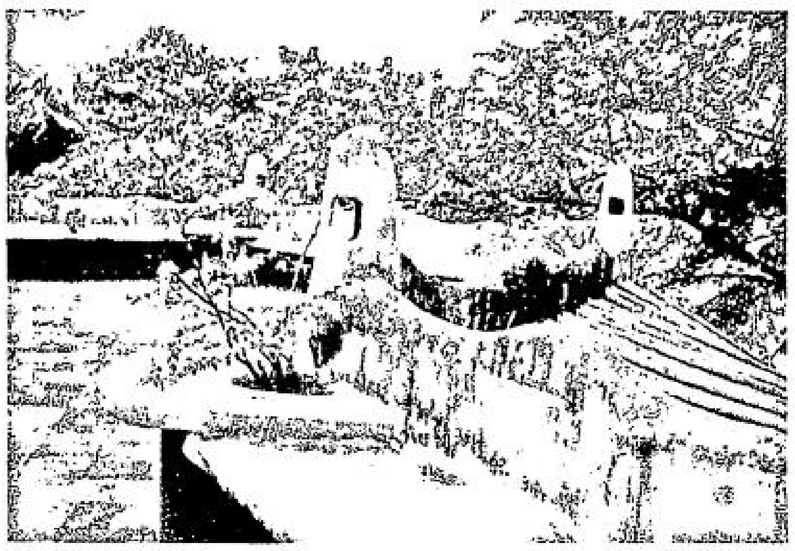
Structural furniture

Structural furniture in the form of a concrete ledge with removable cushions double as a sofa and day bed in the living room. The scheme is repeated in several bedrooms with permanent concrete beds (topped with cushions, of course), side tables and cabinets that look more like cubbyholes because of the absence of doors and drawers.

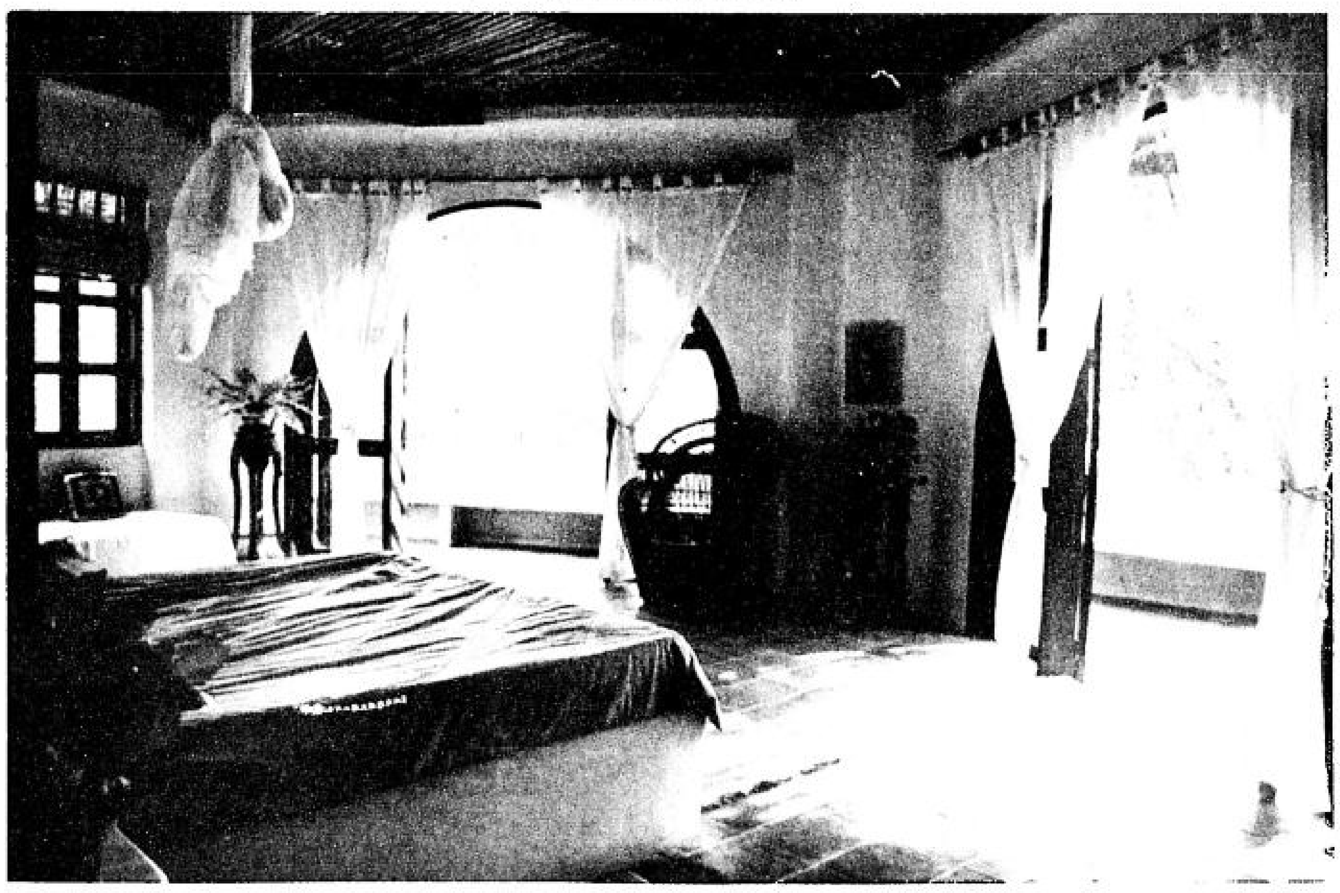
"They're easy to clean and maintain," Val assures, as she pulls a built-in wooden drawer at the foot of the bed. Bamboo slats that support the bed's cushion can also be swung open for regular cleaning. The cubbyhole system is repeated in the kitchen. Aside from helping Val quickly locate every pot and pan, open cabinets discourage the presence of crawling insects.

The couple also incorporated planks of used wood

HIDDEN/p.E8

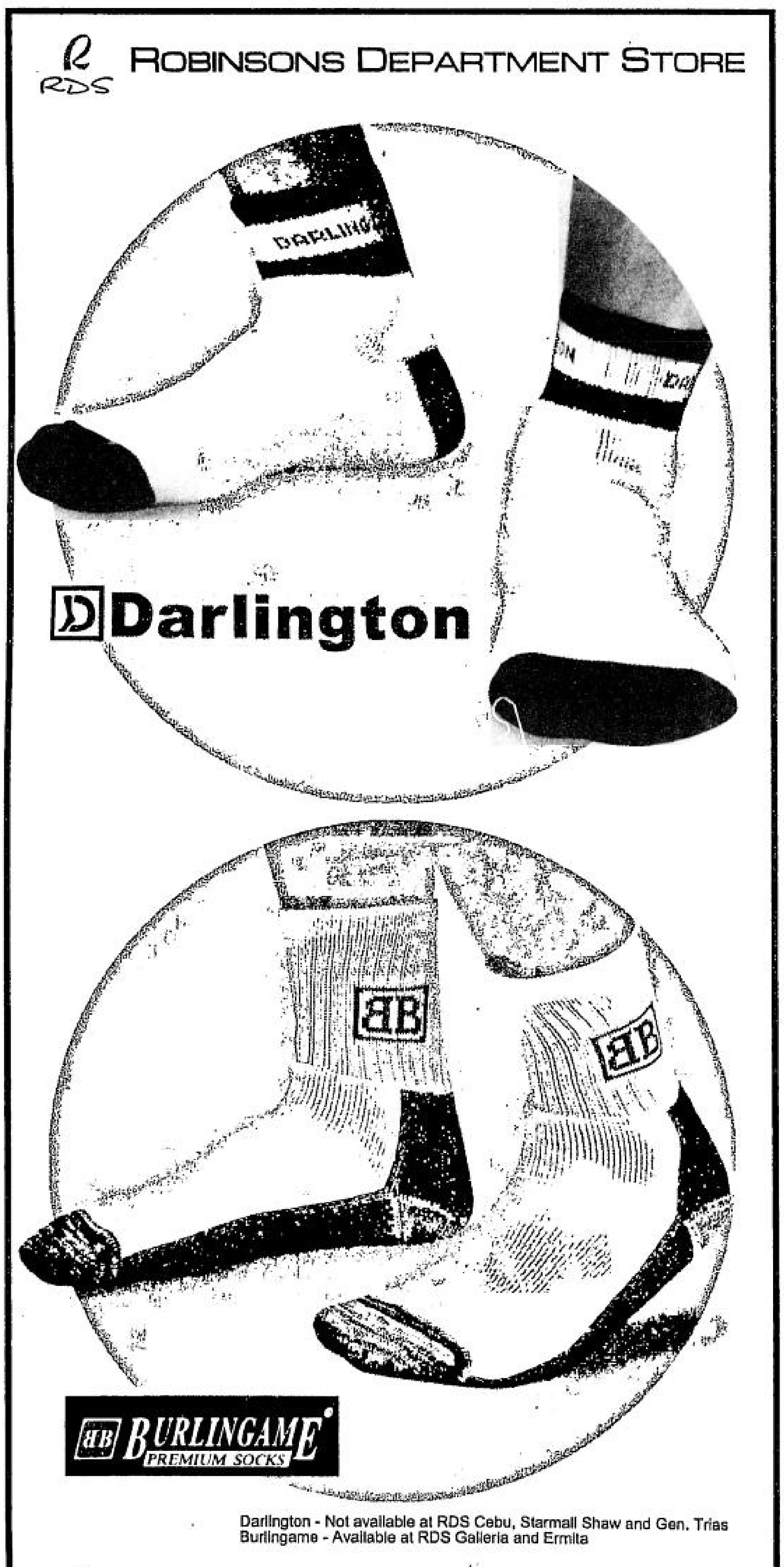


VIEW of the roofdeck



THE MASTER bedroom upstairs also carry such elements as arched doors, built-in niches and a bamboo ceiling.

LIGHTING ON THE WALL. Several built-in lighting devices define the mood. The dining room table is made of old wood, while a concrete buffet table has a built-in cabinet with swinging doors covered with coconut bark.



RDS ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE

Darlington

BURLINGAME PREMIUM SOCKS

Darlington - Not available at RDS Cebu, Starmall Shaw and Gen. Trias
Burlingame - Available at RDS Galleria and Ermita

www.rds.com.ph
RDS @ Robinsons Galleria | Robinsons Place Manila, Imus, Cebu, Bacolod | Cainta
Tutuban Center | Starmall Shaw | Metropolis Star Alabang | Waltermart Sta. Rosa, Gen. Trias

Three-day sale offers leading brands

MORE factory outlets are expected to offer branded items during Designer Depot's three-day sale June 15-17. Among the participating brands are Hush Puppies, Folded and Hung, 8n9 Box, Walk and Run, Toytown, Willow Collection and Sugar and the Courtyard Café.

GOINGS-ON

Designer Depot is located at the corner of Quirino Avenue and South Superhighway.

WORKSHOP. ABS-CBN Publishing's Metro Working Mom holds a workshop this June on building your child's problem-solving and decision-making skills. Call 637-1959. The magazine for busy parents, every issue of Metro Working Mom includes a variety of tips and suggestions to help women handle the challenge of raising children while pursuing a career. It also organizes parenting workshops every month. The magazine is available in all-leading bookstores, supermarkets and drugstores nationwide. Call ABS-CBN Publishing at 631-9345 for subscription inquiries.

FASHION SHOW. A benefit fashion show for Smokey Mountain, "Kids on Different Statement," will be held on June 22, 6 p.m., at the Camp Aguinaldo Officers Club. Directed by Melvin Lazaro, the show promises an evening of relaxation and wholesome entertainment with child models from exclusive schools in Manila. The show, presented by Creative Eye Entertainment Network, will feature Broadway hits and Walt Disney stories.

CONCERT. Butuanons and Agusanons are sponsoring a fund-raising campaign for the construction of the Birhen sa Kasilak in Butuan, Agusan in Mindanao via concert on June 16, 7 p.m. at the Camp Aguinaldo Theatre, Boni Serrano Avenue, QC. Call 832-0485, 522-5062, 911-0832 to 34, 523-6905, 521-3601 and 920-7420/0101.

GET A CHANCE TO WIN ₱10,000!

SHOP WITH YOUR CARD
ELECTRONIC TELLER
METROBANK ET
GET A CASH REWARD
REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
SANLIBONG PISO
1000
1999
EN656

HOW TO JOIN

1. This sales promotion is open to all Metrobank E.T. depositors. To join, a depositor has to use his Metrobank E.T. card to pay for his purchases at stores and supermarkets accredited with the BancNet Payment System.
2. For every ₱500-single payment using his Metrobank E.T. card, an eligible depositor will earn a computer-generated raffle number.
3. RAFFLE DRAWS

a. MONTHLY DRAW	PAYMENT PERIOD	PRIZES	NO. OF WINNERS DEPOSITOR	NO. OF WINNERS CASHIER
April 20, 2001	March 15 - April 14, 2001	₱2,000	30	30
May 25, 2001	April 15 - May 14, 2001	₱2,000	30	30
June 22, 2001	May 15 - June 14, 2001	₱2,000	30	30
July 20, 2001	June 15 - July 14, 2001	₱2,000	30	30
August 24, 2001	July 15 - August 15,2001	₱2,000	30	30
b. GRAND DRAW				
August 24, 2001	March 15 - August15, 2001	₱10,000	15	15

c. VENUE: Metrobank Head Office, Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City
Time: 3:00 pm

4. Thirty (30) winning numbers will be drawn in the monthly raffle and fifteen (15) will be drawn in the Grand Draw.
5. Each winning number will have a corresponding winning cashier who will win the same prize as the depositor's
6. Cash prizes will be credited to the depositor's account; winning cashiers will be issued manager's checks.
7. A participant can win only once in each draw.
8. Winning and non-winning raffle numbers are disqualified for the succeeding monthly draws but will be included in the Grand Draw.
9. Winning depositors can join again in the succeeding monthly draws (including the Grand Draw).
10. Winners will be notified via registered mail.
11. The winning cashier must present the notice and any valid ID within 60 days from the receipt of the registered notice. The prize can be claimed at:

    Metrobank Product Management Dept. 11th Floor, Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City (for Metro Manila winners) or at the Metrobank branch specified in the registered notice (for provincial winners).
12. Promo period: March 15 - August 15, 2001.
13. Employees of Metrobank, its advertising agency, and their relatives up to the second degree of consanguinity or affinity are not qualified to join the promo.
14. The decision of the promo organizers, in concurrence with the DTI, is final.

METROBANK ET
Pay cash without the hassles of carrying cash.

BANCNET PAYMENT SYSTEM ACCREDITED ESTABLISHMENTS:

ALABANG TOWN CENTER · Cinderella · Esprit ALIMALL · Cinderella · Esprit · Rustan's Expresslane EVER COMMONWEALTH · Department Store, Supermarket & Appliance EVER GRAND CENTRAL · Abenson's · Cinderella · Ever Grand Central Department Store & Supermarket EVER ORTIGAS · Abenson's · Ever Ortigas Department Store & Supermarket EVER RECTO · Department Store & Supermarket FARMER'S PLAZA · Fairmart Department Store & Supermarket · Rustan's Expresslane FESTIVAL MALL · Shoe Wise · Western Marketing · Family Drugstore GLORIETTA · Abenson's QUAD I · Cinderella QUAD III · Esprit QUAD III · Guess? QUAD II GREENBELT · Automatic Center · Cinderella HARRISON PLAZA · Abenson's · Guess? · Rustan's Supermarket · SM Department Store ISETANN RECTO · Department Store & Supermarket LANDMARK · Anson's PLAZA FAIR LACSON · Department Store & Supermarket PLAZA FAIR PASONG TAMO · Department Store & Supermarket ROBINSON'S ERMITA · Guess? · Robinson's Ermita Department Store & Supermarket ROBINSON'S GALLERIA · Anson's · Cebu Air, Inc. · Cinderella · Esprit · Robinson's Galleria Department Store & Supermarket SAVE MORE MARIKINA · Family Drugstore · Save More Supermarket SM BACOOR · Family Drugstore A & B · Health & Beauty · SM Bacoor Department Store & Supermarket SM CENTERPOINT · Family Drugstore · Guess? · Health & Beauty · Men's Studio · Seventeen for Gals · SM Sta. Mesa Department Store & Supermarket SM CITY NORTH EDSA · Abenson's · Ace Hardware · Cinderella · Esprit · Family Drugstore · Health & Beauty · SM North EDSA Department Store & Supermarket · SM Supersale SM CUBAO · Ace Hardware · Family Drugstore · Health & Beauty · SM Cubao Department Store SM FAIRVIEW · Family Drugstore · Health & Beauty · SM Fairview Department Store & Supermarket SM MEGAMALL · Ace Hardware · American Discount · Cinderella · Esprit · Family Drugstore · Guess? · Health & Beauty · SM Megamall Department Store & Supermarket · Toy Kingdom · Western Marketing SM MANILA · Family Drugstore · SM Manila Department Store & Supermarket SM QUIAPO · Department Store SM SOUTHMALL · American Discount · Automatic Center · Family Drugstore · Guess? · Health & Beauty · SM Las Piñas Department Store & Supermarket · Toy Kingdom SHANGRI-LA PLAZA · Rustan's Supermarket · Sisley · True Value STAR MALL · Robinson's Shaw · Rustan's Expresslane STA. LUCIA EAST MALL · Abenson's · Cinderella · Home Gallery · Planet Toys · Sta. Lucia Department Store & Supermarket TUTUBAN CENTERMALL · Automatic Center · Goldilocks Bake Shop · Robinson's Tutuban Department Store & Supermarket WALTERMART CALAMBA · Supermarket & Appliance WALTERMART LOTUS MALL · Supermarket WALTERMART PEARL PLAZA · Supermarket WALTERMART DASMARIÑAS · Supermarket & Appliance OTHERS · Anson's Pasay Road · Cebu Air, Inc. Manila Midtown · Cherry Foodarama Congressional · Crispa Pag-Asa · Fairmart F. Torres Department Store & Supermarket · Family Drugstore Kalentong · Goldilocks Bake Shop Park Square & Pasay Road · IMART Makati Ave. · Int'l Container Terminal Services, Inc. · Isetann Department Store & Supermarket (Cubao & Carriedo) · Parco EDSA & Quezon Ave. · Robinson's Los Baños Supermarket · Rustan's Expresslane (Fairview, Forbes, Libertad, Marikina & Taytay) · Rustan's Supermarket (Cubao & Makati) · SOGO EDSA Pioneer · Sure Value · Uniwide (Caloocan, EDSA Central, Las Piñas, Libis, Novaliches & Sucat) · Waltermart (Carmona-Cavite, E. Rodriguez, Pasong Tamo, Rosario-Cavite & Sta. Rosa)

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 0097 Series of 2001

You're in good hands with METROBANK

Over 800 domestic and international branches, offices, and subsidiaries.
Head Office: Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City; Web Page: http://www.metrobank.com.ph; E-mail: metrobank@metrobank.com.ph
Member of the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits insured up to ₱100,000.00 per depositor.

A proud member of BancNet

Before Giorgio, Calvin & Hugo
It was ARROW
Since 1851

ARROW

150 YEARS OF DESIGN EXCELLENCE

Arrow Boutique
2F SM City Manila

Also at SM Dept. Stores
Robinson's Place Manila
and Landmark
Mens Wear Section

Celebrate our Anniversary and Father's Day with the Father of Design Excellence
Free Necktie for every Long Sleeve Dress Shirt from June 9 to 17,2001 at the Arrow Boutique,SM City Manila
June 15 to 17 ,2001 in Robinson's Ermita & Landmark.
June 11-17,2001 at all major SM stores

Hidden villa at the heart of a cove

LET'S FACE IT
THE ONE-STOP FACIAL SALON
FACIAL w/ LASER & VACUUM w/ Free Check-Up P220.
FACIAL w/ SEAWEED MASK w/ Free Check-Up P330.
WARTS TREATMENT P385.
FREE! LETS FACE IT POUCH BAG For every P1000.00 worth of products or services. OFFER GOOD WHILE SUPPLY LASTS
ACCEPTS ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS
BRANCHES:
• 39 Aguirre cor. El Grande, B.F. Homes Parañaque 8253998 • SM MEGAMALL 5th Flr., Bldg. A 6365589 • SM CITY PAMPANGA 2nd Flr. (045) 9612150 • SM CITY NORTH EDSA 3rd Flr., Main Bldg. 9203152 • SM CITY BACOOR 2nd Flr. (046) 9706322 • SM SOUTHMALL Lower Ground Flr. 8003291
Now Open! SM CITY FAIRVIEW Upper Ground Flr. Fronting OUR HOME 9352875
Now Open! SM CITY MANILA 5th Flr. 5275806
Soon to Open! ROBINSON'S PLACE, MANILA

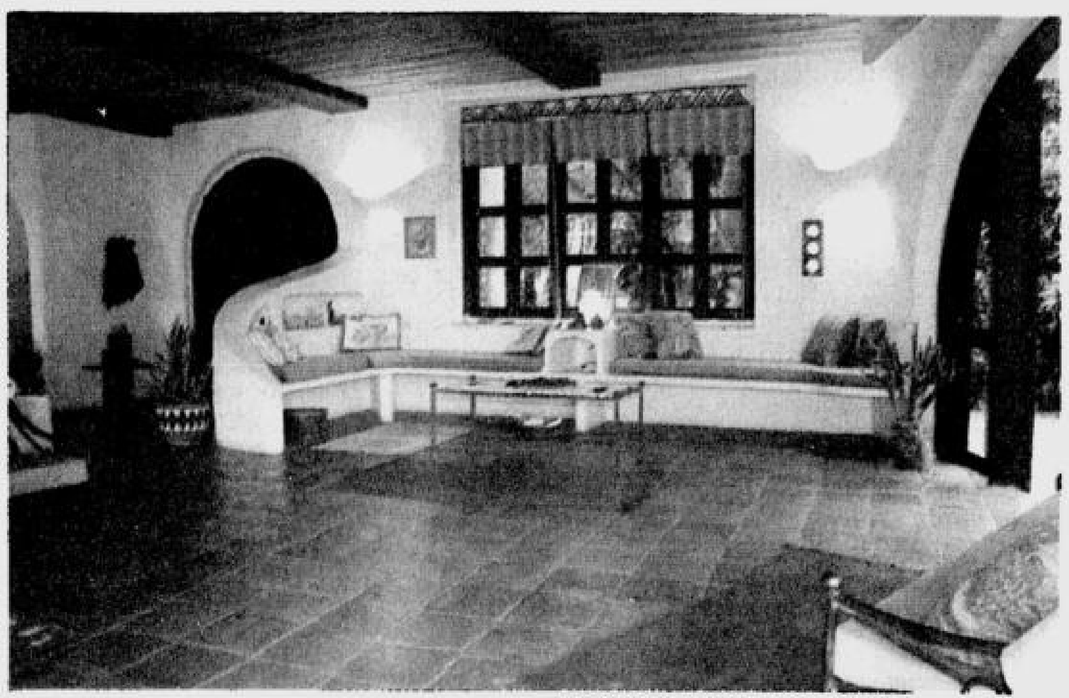
(From page E6)

to form several long tables found in the living room, dining room and kitchen. The dinner table's base, for instance, used to function as the post of an old house. To soften a concrete buffet table with built-in cabinets, Wahoo had the doors laminated with the bark of coconut trees. Their love for the material extends to a flight of white concrete stairs. Its steps are made of Vigan tiles bordered by thin, smooth planks of coco lumber.

Incidentally, the Guerreros rent out their home to local and foreign guests. Like a resort, the package comes with such amenities as towels, toiletries and, of course, free and unlimited use of the beach. There's no McDonald's or Jollibee within five miles of Matu-od, but guests are welcome to use the kitchen to cook their meals. Prior arrangements can be made with Island Villa.

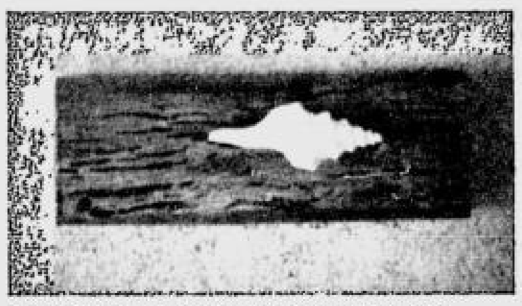
The roof deck, again with the trademark concrete benches and niche lighting, is ideal for holding parties or spending quiet nights swapping stories or stargazing with friends and family. Indeed, Villa Pescador is a world away from Manila. Our fervent wish is it stays that way.

E-mail the author at avergara@inquirer.com.ph

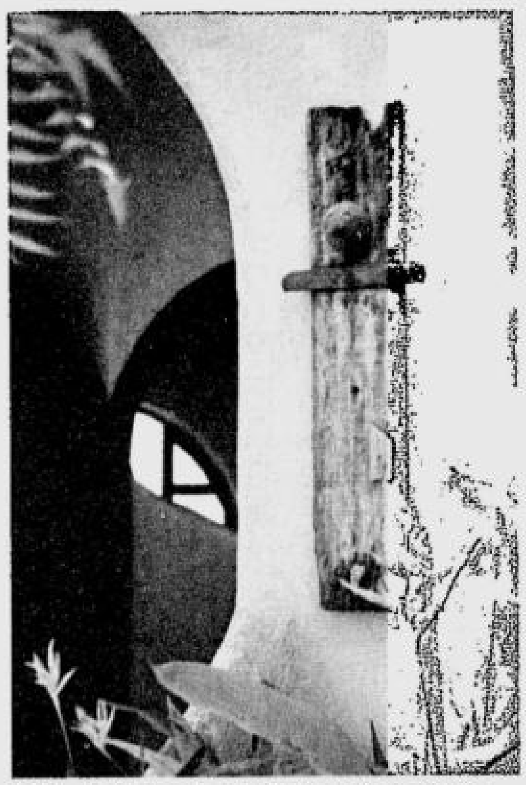


RESORT LIVING. The built-in concrete ledge doubles as a sofa and day bed, while a cubbyhole (one of several found inside the house) functions as a side table. The bamboo-lined ceiling succeeds in softening the all-concrete structure.

A SECTION of the bathroom by the master bedroom



THIS shell means welcome to Wahoo.



ONE of Wahoo's wall installations faded and battered by time and the elements.

STAIRCASE with steps made of Vigan tiles and bordered by coco lumber

IF TRAVELLING'S YOUR TRIP, JOIN...
PIZZA Shakey's Since 1954
FOOD 'N' FUN TRIPS
Get a chance to WIN A FREE TRIP* FOR 4 TO A PHILIPPINE DREAM DESTINATION
CEBU PACIFIC
* Air Fare & Hotel Accommodations courtesy of Cebu Pacific.

Prizes
• 1 winner gets a free trip for 4 from Cebu to Manila with 3 days/2 nights accommodations at the Manila Midtown Hotel.
• 1 winner gets a free trip for 4 from Davao to Manila with 3days/2 nights accommodations at the Manila Midtown Hotel.
• 4 winners get a free trip for 4 from Manila to Cebu with 3 days/2 nights accommodations at the Cebu Midtown Hotel.
• 4 winners get a free trip for 4 from Manila to Davao with 3 days/2 nights accommodations at the Linmar Hotel.
Promo Mechanics
1. For every P150 purchase at any Shakey's outlet nationwide, you get a certified Shakey's "Food 'N' Fun Trips Passport" with pages that correspond to specific promotional food items.
2. Indicate your name, address, contact number(s) and signature on the Passport.
3. Upon purchase of specified passport food items on your succeeding visits to any Shakey's outlet, have your passport food item stamped and validated by the restaurant manager.
4. Drop completely stamped & validated Passports at any Shakey's outlet nationwide. Sealed drop boxes shall be collected one day after the deadline for dropping of entries and brought to the Shakey's Head Office for safekeeping under the custody of the Marketing Dept. A DTI representative will be invited to be present in the opening of drop boxes and during the drawing of winners.
5.. Promo period is from April 5 to June 30, 2001. Deadline for dropping of entries is on June 30, 2001. Winners will be drawn on July 13, 2001, 6 p.m. at the Shakey's Head Office (2/F Sample Shop, AFP-RSBS Industrial Park, Km 12 East Service Rd., cor. C-5, South Superhighway, Taguig, M.M.
6. Winners will be notified by registered mail. Raffle participants can only win once per draw. Should a name be drawn more than once, he/she gets the prize of higher value.
7. Prizes must be redeemed within 60 days from notification and will be valid until Dec. 15, 2001 excluding the week of Oct. 30 - Nov 5. GMA winners can redeem their prizes at the Shakey's Head Office. Provincial winners may claim their prize from a Shakey's representative at the outlet where the winning entry was dropped.
8. Prizes are transferable but not convertible to cash.
9. 20% tax for prizes exceeding P10,000.00 shall be shouldered by Shakey's.
10. Shakey's will not shoulder any incidental expenses incurred by the winners.
11. Employees of Shakey's and Corplan including relatives up to the 2nd degree of consanguinity or affinity are disqualified from joining.
12. Promo valid for dine-in and take-out only.

Better than ever!

Nestlé
www.shakeyspizza.ph
Promo period: April 5 to June 30, 2001.
Take-out plus box charges.
Per DTI NCR Permit # 0407 Series of 2001.

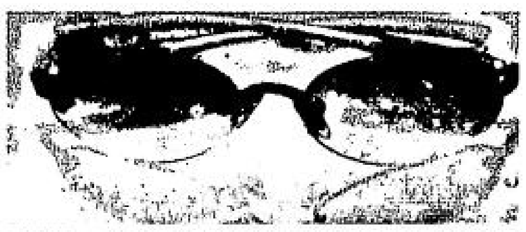
LIFESTYLE

FOR FEEDBACK, TEXT US AT (0919) 661-2337 OR E-MAIL US AT LIFESTYLE@IN M.PH

your birth certificate⁺⁺... anytime... anywhere...
Via web: e-Census www.e-Census.com.ph
Via phone: NSO Helpline Plus 737-1111
Available 24 hours a day 7 days a week
NATIONWIDE
UNISYS

worldprep
for kids below 5 years old
preparation for the world ahead
• a superior and innovative curriculum • a faculty that combines youth and experience • top-of-the-line computer learning stations • early exposure to Mandarin • a school-in-a-park environment
149 B. Gonzales St., Loyola Heights, Q.C.
Call 920-4492 or 0917-7959493 now!

Trend Spotting


BLUE oval monochromatic sunglasses with black frames and blue plastic temple

SUNGLASSES AVAILABLE AT SM

BLUE-GRAY wraps

Buy glasses for your eyes

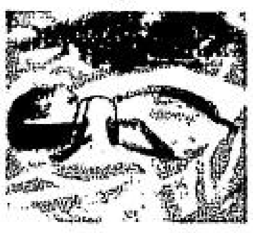
THE MAIN criteria for most sunglasses buyers is fashion. The first question is "Does it suit me?" Your sunnies become a part of your face and your presence.

From Jack Nicholson's "Easy Rider," John Belushi's "Blues Brothers," Tom Curise in "Mission Impossible II," Will Smith's "Men in Black" and Keanu Reeves' "The Matrix," sunglasses have become fashion icons.

There's a mystique about someone wearing shades. If the adage goes "the eyes are the windows of the soul," it's no wonder that this accessory that hides them makes the wearer seem more provocative. The right style in the right ambience can evoke an air of intrigue, playfulness or sexiness.

When choosing sunglasses, choose function over fashion. Sunglasses are safety devices. By reducing glare, they let you be more visually aware of your surroundings. When you're under the sun, they help increase your ability to focus on objects without having to squint.

Get shades that will filter light to protect your eyes from radiation. Gray tints darken equally across the visual spectrum. Browns reduce glare. Be careful of cheap glasses. The tint darkens visible light, enabling you to stop squinting and allowing your pupils to dilate. If the glasses are not effective in blocking ultra-violet and infra-red radiation, your eyes will be exposed to even more of the harmful rays. Choose glasses that block at least 95 percent of the harmful rays.


RECTANGULAR wrap lens with silver bridge and temple

PINK aviator glasses

© BURBERRY LIMITED 2001
BURBERRY
LEVEL 3 SHANGRI-LA PLAZA MALL
MANDALUYONG CITY • TEL.: 638-6826

Kameraworld
MAX Rewards Card
GET EXCITING PRIZES when you buy KODAK MAX or KODAK GOLD FILM at all participating Kameraworld outlets nationwide.
For more details, visit your nearest Kameraworld outlet.
Promo is from May 15, 2001 to June 30, 2001. Valid at all participating Kameraworld outlets nationwide. Redemption is good until August 31, 2001.
Per DTI-NCR permit No. 1116 series of 2001

Canon DIRECTS

Launch of digital cameras with

SHOOT it, PRINT it, DIRECT! With this battle cry, Canon seems to announce that it came, saw and conquered the camera market with the launch of its three new models of affordable digital cameras and the world's smallest direct printer.

Dubbed the completion of the digital line-up, the new models: **PowerShot A10, PowerShot A20, Digital IXUS 300 & the CP10 Direct Printer** complement the earlier high models (G1, Pro90 & D30) with their consumer-friendlier prices & applications.

The PowerShot A10 & A20

Canon
PowerShot A10
1.3

The PowerShot A10 with 1.3 megapixel resolution

Cutting-edge digital technology within your purchase power, that's to describe these twin models boasting of 1.3 & 2.1 megapixels, respectively.

The PowerShot A10 is the market's best-priced digital snapshooter with a unique-in-its-class 3x optical zoom combined with a 6x digital zoom capabilities. That's a far cry from the usual 2x zooming of earlier models and still further from that of the nearest competitor which only has digital zooming (plain digital zoom only magnifies an image to a grainier enlargement as against Canon's optical zoom which actually increases the image size without diminishing clarity). As easy as it shoots, it loads photos quickly to both PC or Mac systems because of its USB interface which triples transfer speed of images from the camera to the computer.

Canon
PowerShot A20
2.1

The PowerShot A20 with 2.1 megapixel resoultion

A10's sister, the PowerShot A20 stretches further the possibility with its 3x optical zoom and 7.5 digital zoom. Celebrated worldwide for its high-speed IC (Integrated Circuit), it has been giving manufacturers of costlier counterparts a run for their money.

And how would you like to see your digital pictures beamed right into your TV sets? A20 has a video output cable that sends your still digital pictures into your television screens like a real video player. What larger-than-life preview can you get?

A10 & A20 both have ergonomically positioned controls which translate to easier hand-to-machine coordination. Light in your pocket and literally handier between your fingers.

Surprisingly, both cameras can perform all these under the affordable power of AA alkaline batteries. And as if that's not enough "power trip" to affordability, A10 & A20 are installed with power-saving modes to ensure longer battery life on top of a full range of versatile accessories.

Canon
CARD PHOTO PRINTER

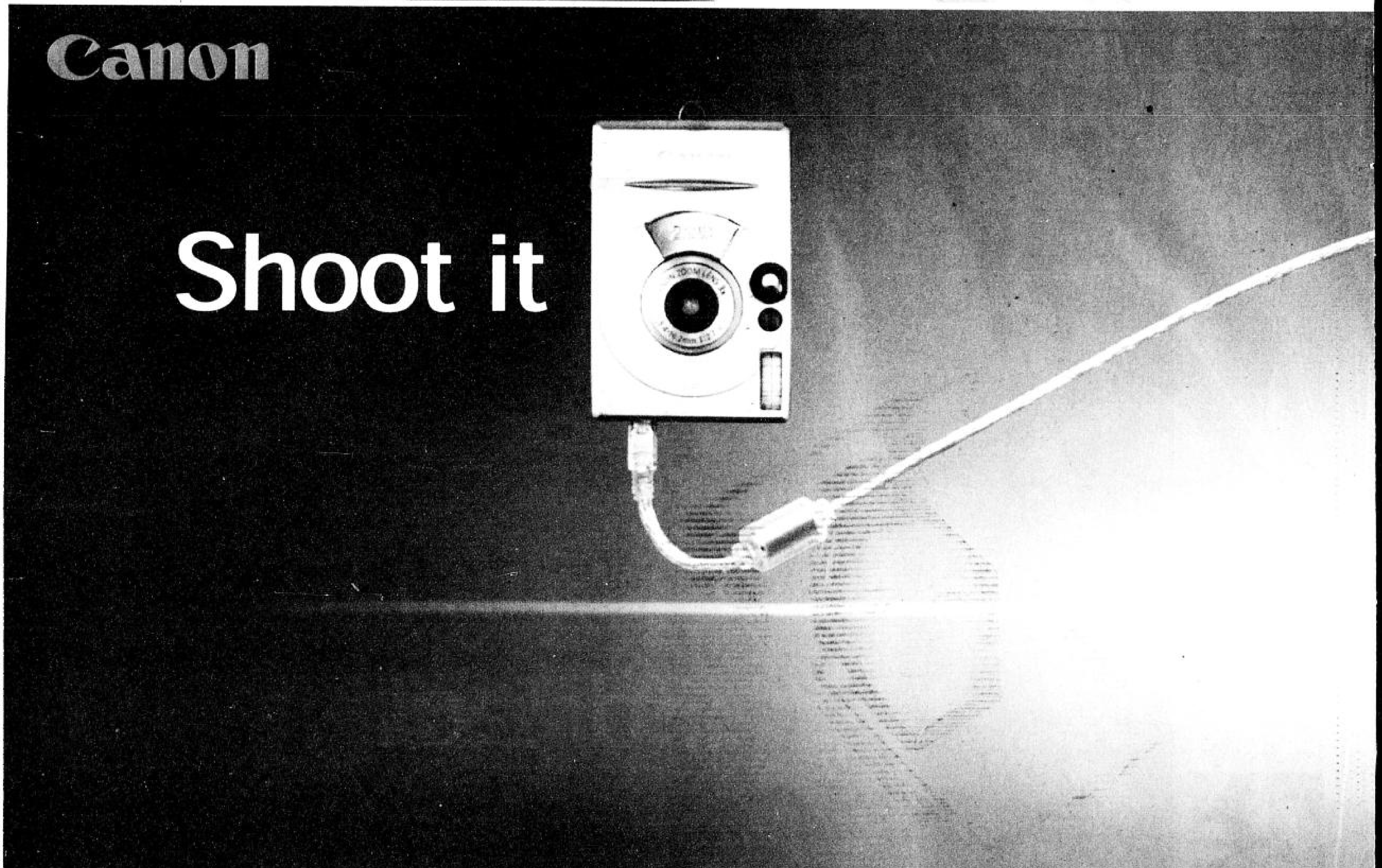
The CP-10 Direct Printer prints even without a computer.

The CP-10 Direct Printer

Hold it. Now comes the most exciting part.

Digital camera shooters have always been faced with the digital red tape of passing stored pictures through a computer before they can be output to a printer. With the advent of a barely-the-size-of-your-palm printer that prints **directly** from all the above three models, a new age of digital photography reigns. Introducing the direct printing capability of the **Canon CP 10 Card Photo Direct Printer**. It mills out photo-quality prints in a breeze of 60 **seconds** even without a computer!

Now, it's possible to have on-the-spot prints that not only can be previewed and deleted but can also be replicated as many times possible with sharpness as good as the original. (This is as opposed to popular instant photos which not only waste photo paper by indiscriminately churning print-outs with each shot but also doesn't permit reprinting. On the other hand, the CP-10 is still way ahead from even the fastest film



NEW DIGITAL IXUS 300

With Canon's new digital camera, nothing comes between taking great photos and making great prints...

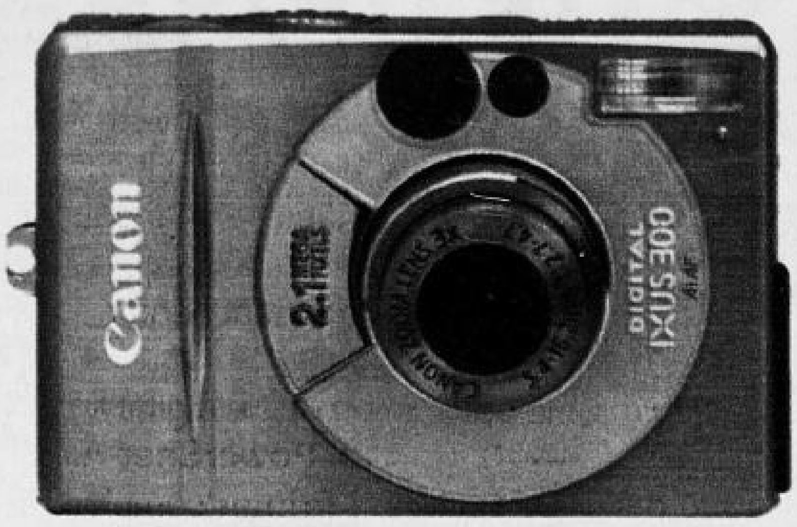
Introducing Digital IXUS 300. The latest Canon model to break new ground in digital photography. It's the world's smallest 2.11 megapixel digital camera with 3x optical/7.5x digital zoom. And it packs many exciting features, such as super-sharp Canon lens, movie mode and extra-bright LCD. Plus, the unique capability to transform digital photos into beautiful prints with a computer... or without!

Why Canon?
Because a digital camera is still a camera.

CANON MARKETING PHILIPPINES, INC. Marvin Plaza Bldg. 2153 Don Chino Roces Ave., Makati City, Tel. Nos. 8126047, Fax No. 8109797 E-mail: cmp_sales@canon.com.ph
Distributor: SUPER EAST ASIA ENTS., INC. 17th Floor Penthouse, Riviera Mansion, A. Mabini St., Malate, Tel. Nos. 524-4604 Fax Nos. 524-4610 E-mail : se_asia@quantumweb.net
Canon Camera Showrooms: Service Center Binondo, Manila tel. 242-2647, SM City-Megamall tel. 635-6038-39, SM City-North Edsa tel. 920-9066, SM City-Manila tel. 522-6250, SM City-Southmall tel. 805-0409, SM City-Cebu tel. (032) 234-0478, SM City-Iloilo tel. (033) 320-1947
Metro Manila Dealers : **A. Rialto**: Cubao tel. 911-0986, Commonwealth tel. 931-3154, Festival Mall tel. 850-3717, **Gemini Photo,** Santa Lucia East Grand Mall, Cainta, Rizal tel. 645-9880, **Henry's Cameras,** Quiapo tel. 733-7721, **Island Photo**: Park Square tel. 816-3030, Glorietta IV tel. 752-7585, Greenhills tel. 7
SM-Megamall tel 633-1745, **Mayer Photo**: Quiapo tel. 733-7722, **Photoline:** Robinson's Place Manila tel. 536-7919, Robinson's Galleria tel. 632-0545, **Picture City,** Alabang Town Center tel. 807-5143, SM Appliance : SM City-North Edsa tel. 927-9335, SM City-Bacoor tel. (046) 417-0274, Rockwell Center tel. 898-15
Provincial Dealers : Baguio : **Mountain Studio** tel. (074) 442-3241, Mindoro : **Colormaster Photo** tel. (043) 288-4693, Batangas: **Colormaster Photo** tel. (043) 980-1234; (043) 723-0867, Cebu: **Colours Foto Shop** Ayala Center tel. (032) 232-3249, Colon tel. (032) 245-3663, Gaisano Mactan tel. (032) 340-4

S YOUR FUTURE.

direct printing capabilities



The Digital IXUS 300 includes a movie capture & playback mode.

The Digital IXUS 300

A 3x optical zoom married to a 2.1 megapixel clarity, the Digital IXUS 300 defies boundaries by packing both manual & automatic features into an unimaginably small body—barely the size of a deck of cards.

And what makes this rebel of traditional design a run-away winner of innovation? Canon incorporated in it a movie capture & playback mode complete with sound function for multi-media versatility. With Digital IXUS 300, it seems that Canon has already crammed the next 10 years of digital camera evolution at present-day price range.

But that's not all. The optical zoom lens can be further extended to as far as 7.5x magnification via digital teleconversion. And like a professional camera, it has a range of adjustments that can be manually fine-tuned.

For example, the user has full control adjusting the shutter speed which can go as slow as 1 second for hazy motion effects to break-neck speed of 1/1,500 of a second for freeze action photography. More so, Digital IXUS 300 has three focusing points (as against the traditional one) with all points linked to its light metering system. This means the camera can precisely determine which point inside the picture you are framing should get the best focus (sharpness) & exposure (illumination).

Contrary to what it might seem, its full pack feature does not a bit slow down the multi-task performance of Digital IXUS 300. Thanks to its USB cable, it transfers images to a computer in a breeze. And like its sisters A10 & 120, it also has a 10-second delay self-timer, multi-lingual settings, date & clock adjustments and a Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) that shows you 100% coverage of the pictures you're framing as you shoot them or you review them later. All three cameras store picture in the chip-sized CompactFlash™ card that not only has the highest storage capacity but also the toughest durability amongst current available digital camera storage media.

The Stitch Assist

Worthy of a separate mention is Canon's patented Photostitch software which is bundled with all of the above new cameras. Unique to Canon, the software makes possible the Stitch Assist shooting mode of the camera which seamlessly pastes together two or three separate pictures into a single breadth and breath-taking panorama shot. The trick is done by allowing the LCD to have a preview of an earlier shot vis-à-vis the current one you're shooting. Match the preview and the current image, click, and then feed to the computer installed with the packaged Photostich software. The result is a longer frame covering your impossible landscape shots or group pictures minus the laborious editing & manipulation only an expert can neatly do with separately sold photo softwares.

The Night That Will Launch It All

It shouldn't come as a surprise that all the above innovations should arrive at a time when Canon has again won the prestigious **Readers Digest Super Brand Award for Digital Camera** both here and in all Asia.

And to celebrate this triumph of consumers in the Philippines, Canon is launching tomorrow **June 16, 2001 Saturday** Powershot A10/20, Digital IXUS 300 and CP 10 with an open live show in **Remedios Circle, Malate, Manila beginning 8:30 in the evening.**

The show will feature the techno-party band PASSAGE and Manila's top 12 ramp models & celebrities in a fused fashion and raffle show. Everybody will be entitled to win 50 exciting prizes including a brand new Canon Powershot A10 Digital camera. To qualify, you only have to register at the site and present a receipt transacted from June 15-16 with any of the establishments in Malate. Winners will be announced instantly during the show. And for receipts worth P300 & up, bearers are automatically entitled to their own souvenir digital photo.

The event will be broadcast live over FM Station 99.5 RT. Drive to the site as early as 7:00 p.m. for the pre-show car stickering & distributing of Canon gift items courtesy of charming Canon models.

So if you'd like to check what's the noise from Canon's new digital cameras and printer all about, be sure to spend this weekend's *Sabado Night* in Malate. We promise, it's going to be a picture-perfect party with your friends and the world's leader in Digital Photography.

developing procedure. Film quality diminishes with time and number of reprints and takes 30 to 60 minutes to process and print.) That's a whole new connotation whenever we say "photo quality" and "photo finish."

The CP-10 is a printer unlike most color printer you know. It uses the durable dye-sublimation technique that outputs durable, water-proof prints. It's sleek and stylish; with a semi-transparent body that is so small you'd easily mistake it for a trendy CD player. And oh, you have to see the card size photos and 8-mini sticker labels it prints. The card size prints slip perfectly into your wallets and pocket size photo albums while the stickers tacks on just about anything you'd like to label your own. You even have a choice whether to do all these with or without borders, whichever suits your taste for framing your prints.

When you think about it, the CP-10 Direct Printer together with the PowerShot A10/A20 and the Digital IXUS 300 is Canon's proposal for you to start looking at mobile photo-imaging under an entirely new light. From now on, you can carry in a bag a complete photo studio of your own with less the price and more the speed. It's the only way to go for you and the generations hereafter. And Canon is proud to introduce all these to you first as it always has whenever you ask: what's new, what's up?

Print it

...direct

RECT
NTER
CP-10

... because the new Canon CP-10 Direct Printer can give you colour photo prints without a computer!

The ultra-compact CP-10* can print direct from the Digital IXUS 300 and other Canon digital cameras featuring Direct-Print mode, making personal printing both easy and convenient. It's surprisingly affordable, too, and lets you create high-quality, fun-size colour photos that last and last. So don't delay! Visit your nearest Canon dealer and see digital photography in a new light.

*CP-10 runs on AC-power or with optional 12V car adaptor

DIRECT
PRINT

FREE!
HC 36IP Ink and Paper
and HC 18IL Label With
Every Purchase of a CP-10

Promo period: June 15- August 31, 2001

1-5946, Don Jacinto Bldg., Makati City tel. 817-8494

55, SM City-Cebu tel. (032) 232-0626, Gen. Maxilum Ave., tel. (032) 254-1820 **Picture City** SM City-Cebu tel. (032) 233-0721 Davao Golden Bell tel. (082) 222-6550 Zamboanga **Golden Bell** tel. (062) 991-1065

Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1794 Series of 2001

Campus Cool.
Back-To-School
Smart
Celfones.
Philips Savvy Vogue
P 3,990
Philips Ozeo
P 5,395
Alcatel OT 302
P 6,095
Nokia 3210
P 6,290
Siemens C35i W@P
P 6,595
Alcatel View W@P
P 6,995
Nokia 3310
P 6,890
Nokia 3330 W@P
P 9,590

THE POWER TO LIVE THE LIFE YOU CHOOSE
SMART zed
Smart Money
Start the school year right with the multi-featured and affordably-priced Philips Savvy Vogue, or any other Smart Buddy celfone. Enjoy cashless shopping with Smart Money or a world of personalized services with Smart zed.

For more info on Smart celfones, call the Smart Customer Care Hotline at 888-1111 or *888.

SMART Buddy GSM Pre-paid

It's back!
0% INTEREST
on all musical instruments, pro-audio & audio-video equipment.
BUY NOW AND YOUR FIRST MONTHLY PAYMENT IS FREE!
Inquire at 899-9595 or visit us at www.yupangco.com
See posters & print ads for details.
Promo Period: June 1 - August 31, 2001
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1650 Series of 2001

QUiLa
ON tHe
LOOSE!

In the company of fairies

By Jose Javier Reyes

> Why do many women enjoy gay company? Because gays are witty, intelligent, creative, bouncy and harmless

WELL, yes, they can be a lot of fun. One thing you can say about a bevy of very intelligent, hyperactive and loquacious gays is that you can be assured of a laugh every minute. That is, if you go for that sort of thing.

They can talk about anything. They have a substantial knowledge of the juiciest gossip (ranging from the significant scandals in Manila's *beau monde* society down to the trashiest trivia involving show biz). They can talk about art and fashion, rattling off 30-second reviews of the latest trends and spicing data with their acerbic remarks. They can even talk about government and politics, business and economics or even the joys of *ginseng*. They can be witty and cruel, dynamic and imaginative. They have transformed the stereotype bitch into a true verbal artist.

So it is not surprising that some women find great fulfillment in their company. After all, they are so non-threatening—not unless you cross the path of one and you better brace yourself for one big cat fight, complete with every imaginable form of verbal abuse and cliché clawing at each other's eyes. Although gays are generally amusing, it is their *joie de vivre* that seems to attract certain females of the species to gravitate around their flamboyant circles. At least, these ladies never have to worry about clumsy advances, idiotic come-ons, boring conversations about basketball or car accessories. They need not worry about unsolicited or accidental pregnancies. Not even obligatory foreplay, mind you.

Women who love hanging around gays are branded as fairy magnets. In more crass terms, they are simply branded as fag hags. In the vernacular, they have been diminished to the status of *mga babaeng bakla.*

Special bonding

These women are naturally attracted to the ninnies and especially the epicene, and vice versa. There must be something special about these forms of bonding because women sincerely enjoy the company of the *badings*. More often than not, fairy magnets love to chatter, demand stimulating conversation and need someone to guide them through the racks in designer boutiques to find out what dress best suits them. The girls need someone to hold their hands, give advice about makeup, fashion accessories or even tips on how to make activities in the privacy of bedrooms more creative and fulfilling than mere rolling in the hay.

Like... how many true hot-blooded men can distinguish the difference between lavender and mauve? How many hundred-percent machos know the difference between Guy de Mauppasant and Guy Laroche? How many *barakos* can indulge in stimulating arguments about the joys and the dangers of collagen injections?

Gays generally understand women because of their sensitivity and sensibility, and, more often than not, they live their fantasies through the women they coddle. Not all gays want to be women judging by the rate of transsexual operations and the increase in the population of transvestites have not visibly increased in recent years. But they need a kind of physical fulfillment in going through the business of being a woman—so the fairy magnet turns into a breathing Barbie Doll who they can dress up, dress down, play with... and be with.

It could be by a process of osmosis that the *babaeng bakla* slowly turns into a *bakla.*

Whether through the mastery of their subrosa, the flourish in their behavior, or even the volume of their voices that the authentic *she* unconsciously transforms herself into an *it*. For the more discreet ladies, the company of a gorgeous gym-buffed Adonis without the slightest hint of *kembot* can be such good press release or prop material to parade around town. These women get the benefit of being seen with a gorgeous partner who is kind and understanding to her needs, perpetually neat and clean and smelling like Gendarme, and capable of talking about the importance of Rei Kawakubo and Issey Miyake in redefining the language of couture. They can even lead the ladies to a vicious round of dancing the swing, for God's sake. What else can these women want from a partner?

Tragedy begins

The moment they demand more is the exact split second when the pattern of tragedy begins.

Gays make fine partners and conversationalists, yes, but woe to the damsel who pushes the friendship to the edge and starts anticipating classical romance. Oh, yes, it does happen. All these Mr. Wonderfuls remain as such, but they cannot be the Romeos, Orpheuses or even Lancelots who can fill the void of eternal needs, that is, female biological needs.

Pity the woman who, in some moment of temporary madness, convinces herself that if she is nice enough—then she can change a fairy into a lover.

Remember the princess who went around kissing frogs? She ended up with lips thickened by warts. Not all the amphibians in the pool of life can suddenly be transformed by magic to turn into perfect heterosexual princes. No amount of alcohol, voodoo, exorcism or novena can easily change earthly persuasions.

The woman who dreams of turning the perfect gay friend into the king of her home and—gasp!—the father of her children is taking a death-defying roller-coaster ride without a seatbelt. Oh, there will be tears ("*Pinaasa niya ako!*"), wails of woe ("*Bakit? Bakit siya bakla?*"), attacks of dementia ("He loves me *naman, eh*... It's just that... he does not know how to express it *pa*. He is scared...") or dangerous hysteria ("I am going to turn him into a man... even if it kills me"). But what is most certain is that the perfect friendship will end up being an adventure in *limerance*. *Limerance*: what a beautiful, but all too painful word.

End of friendship

When the emotions get out of control and confrontations arise in the most dramatic settings, chances are even the precious friendship will end. The gay will scream, feel betrayed and victimized—the lady will also scream, feel shortchanged and traumatized. The gay will accuse the lady of being insane and the lady, in turn, will brand the other party as a user. And it's all because she is no longer happy having him help choose the bed sheets in her room—she already wants him in bed.

Then, of course, there is the other kind of fairy magnet. She is the sort who has real boyfriends, but who ends up being gay in the end. Hmmm, this sort can be scary, really scary. But, indeed, there are some women who effortlessly attract men undergoing confusion in their gender. They go out, they get together, they split, and the next thing she hears about him, he is out there in the Nakpil area, striking a pose at the bar in Joy.

This is definitely a rich area for behavioral research. There must be something about these women to be the testing ground for men wrestling with their inner demons and desires extended past puberty. Once a friend wept rather profusely while mumbling, "*Bakit lahat ng mga* boyfriends *ko... nagiging bakla? Mga lalake naman sila* when they were with me... *tapos... tapos... nagiging bakla* after they split up with me."

Uh, can it possibly be... radiation? Or shall this question remain as one of the great mysteries of life that defy theological and scientific explanation?

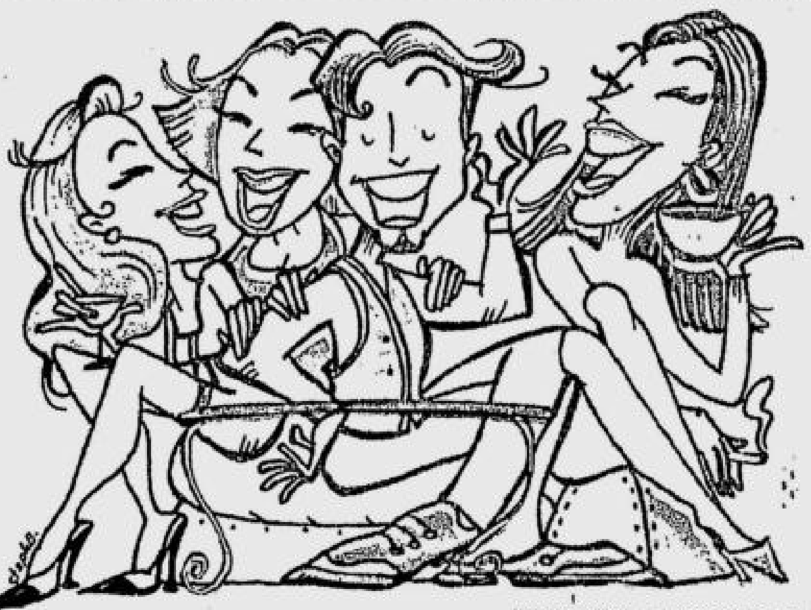
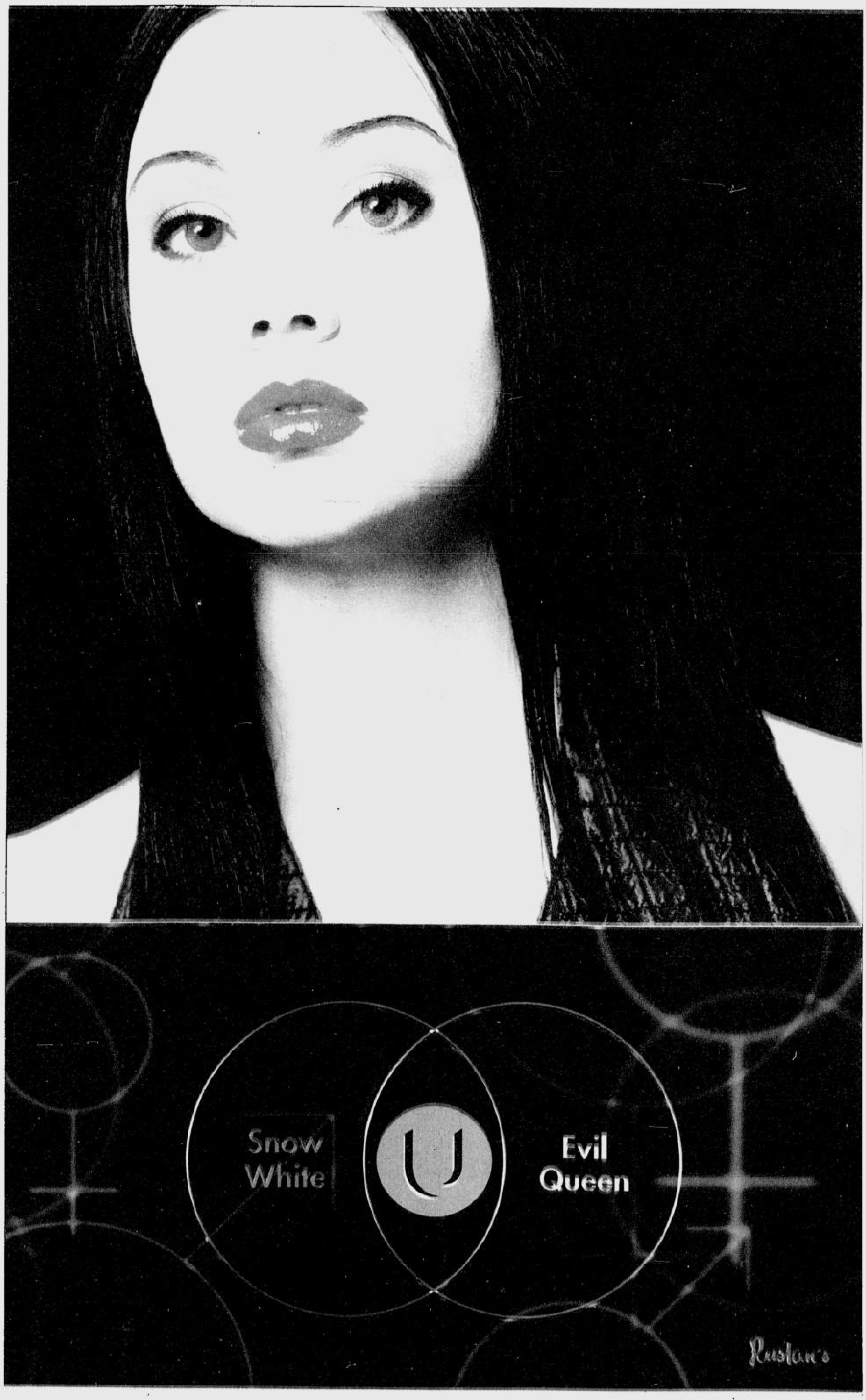


ILLUSTRATION: ALBERT RODRIGUEZ



SMS Games
TRIVIA
WoRdS
GENI
CRAZY
CHANCE
War
18 in ONE!!
GLOBE GAMESTATION
Quiz Call
FOURS
CODE BREAKER
JOTTO
WAP Games
ANAGRAM
Hangman
MINES
TIC TAC TOE
FIGHT KO
reverse
TANKS
...and SORCERY!

WE GOT GAME.

GLOBE HANDYPHONE GAMESTATION

It's the ultimate in fun and games! Just play at the click of your fingers, anytime and anywhere. Zap your brains via InfoText with ultra-challenging Mind Games. Live your dream via WAP with over a dozen fantastic Adventure Games. For never-ending fun and excitement, Globe is all you need!

Games provided by:

wirelessgames.com

realtime

wsa
wireless services asia

Download the instructions of these Gamestation InfoText games by sending these keywords to 2326: HELP GENI, HELP CHANCE, HELP WORDS, HELP CRAZY, HELP WAR.

To play TRIVIA, key-in TRIVIA and send to 2333.

Connect to the Globe WAP homepage and click on New Sites or Games to [illegible] SORCERY, ANAGRAM, HANGMAN, JOTTO, FOURS, MINES, [illegible], CODE BREAKER, FIGHT KO, TANKS, QUIZ CALL, TIC TAC TOE.

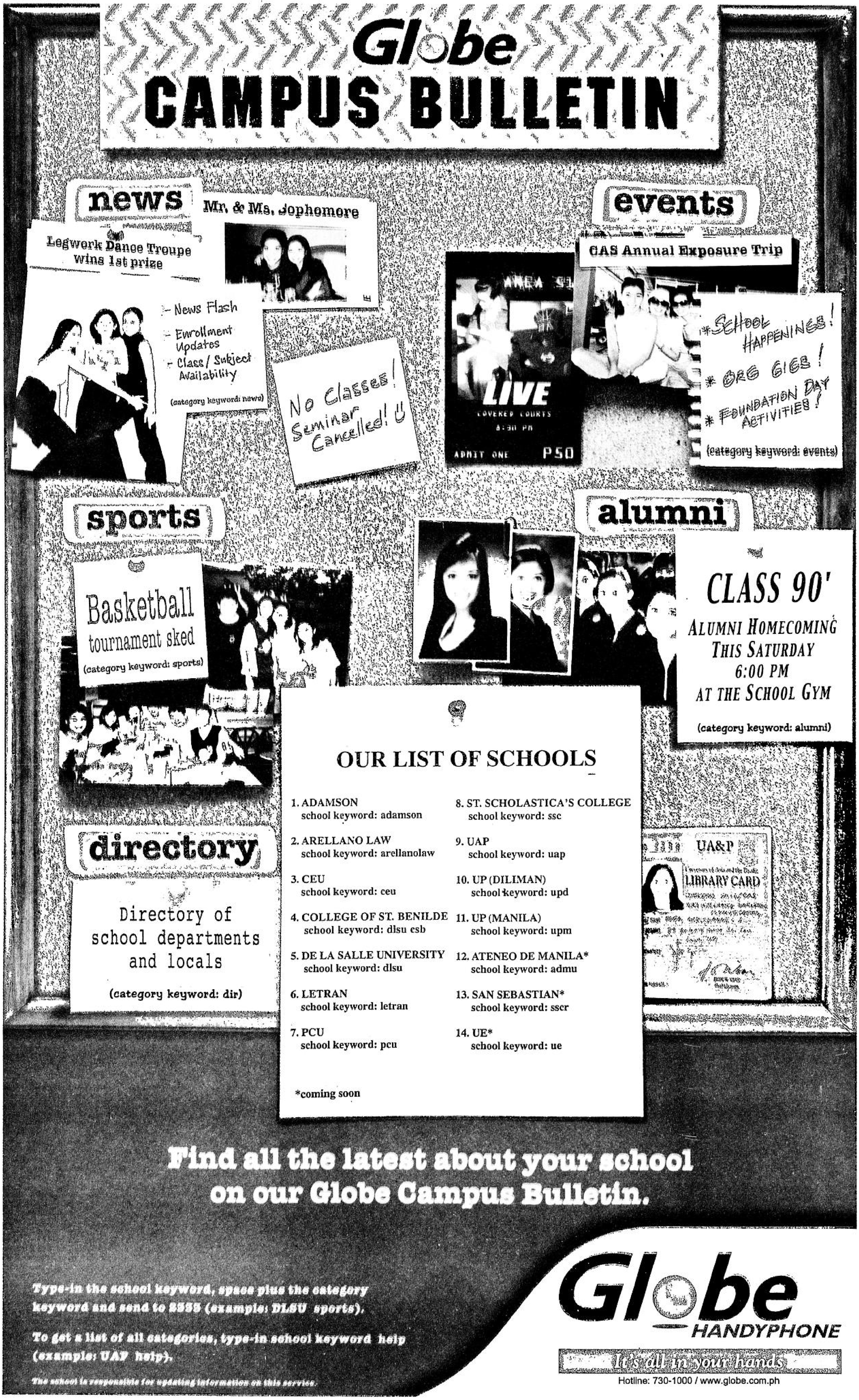
Gamestation Play Rates:
InfoText Games
₱2.00 for Plan subscribers
₱2.50 for Prepaid Plus subscribers

WAP Games
₱2.00 per minute for Business, Executive, CEO
₱3.00 per minute for Advantage, Personal, and

Globe
HANDYPHONE

It's all in your hands

Hotline: 730-1000 / www.globe.com.ph



Globe CAMPUS BULLETIN

news
Mr. & Ms. Jophomore
Legwork Dance Troupe wins 1st prize
- News Flash
- Enrollment Updates
- Class / Subject Availability
(category keyword: news)
No Classes! Seminar Cancelled!
events
CAS Annual Exposure Trip
LIVE
COVERED COURTS
ADMIT ONE
P50
* School Happenings!
* Org Gigs!
* Foundation Day Activities!
(category keyword: events)
sports
Basketball tournament sked
(category keyword: sports)
alumni
CLASS 90'
ALUMNI HOMECOMING THIS SATURDAY 6:00 PM AT THE SCHOOL GYM
(category keyword: alumni)
directory
Directory of school departments and locals
(category keyword: dir)
UA&P
LIBRARY CARD

OUR LIST OF SCHOOLS

1. ADAMSON
school keyword: adamson

2. ARELLANO LAW
school keyword: arellanolaw

3. CEU
school keyword: ceu

4. COLLEGE OF ST. BENILDE
school keyword: dlsu csb

5. DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY
school keyword: dlsu

6. LETRAN
school keyword: letran

7. PCU
school keyword: pcu

8. ST. SCHOLASTICA'S COLLEGE
school keyword: ssc

9. UAP
school keyword: uap

10. UP (DILIMAN)
school keyword: upd

11. UP (MANILA)
school keyword: upm

12. ATENEO DE MANILA*
school keyword: admu

13. SAN SEBASTIAN*
school keyword: sscr

14. UE*
school keyword: ue

*coming soon

Find all the latest about your school on our Globe Campus Bulletin.

Type-in the school keyword, space plus the category keyword and send to 2333 (example: DLSU sports).

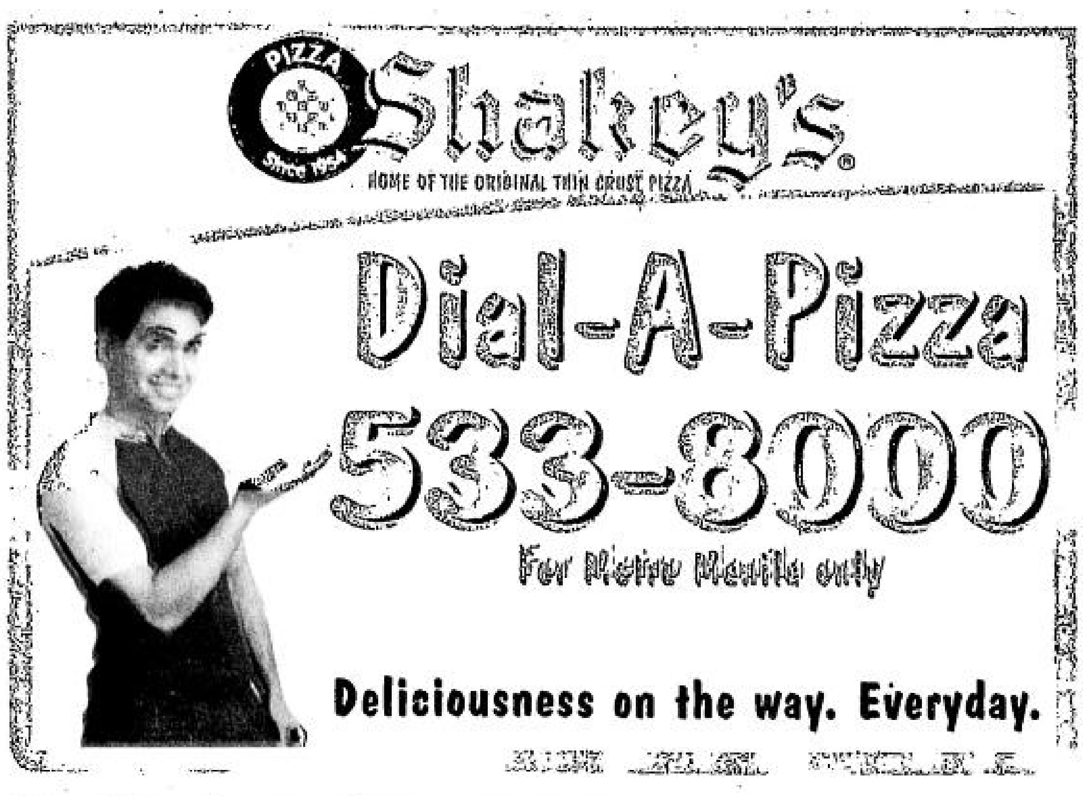
To get a list of all categories, type-in school keyword help (example: UAP help).

The school is responsible for updating information on this service.

Globe HANDYPHONE

It's all in your hands

Hotline: 730-1000 / www.globe.com.ph



PIZZA
Since 1954
Shakey's®
HOME OF THE ORIGINAL THIN CRUST PIZZA
Dial-A-Pizza
533-8000
For Metro Manila only
Deliciousness on the way. Everyday.

Civil status: S (Separated)

NO one is spared. Everyone knows a separated woman.

Separated from who or what? Definitely from some male of the species who has been demoted from Knight in Shining Armor or Prince Charming to the worst kind of simian who could have single-handedly verified Darwin's Theory of Evolution. There is nothing phenomenal about a woman whose civil status has changed from S (Single) to M (Married) and now back to S again—but this time for Separated. Gone are the days when a failed union of souls in the eyes of God spelled social condemnation, warranting the curse of the clan or even possibilities of excommunication.

Somewhere in the history of sociable mankind, being a woman and having a failed marriage turned from curse to chic.

And besides, in this day and age when you can have as many chances in trying out an entire menu of soul mates in one lifetime, is it really such a big hoot to be an "abandoner" or "abandonee"? We think not. After five minutes of overrated weeping ("How could he do that you? You're such a perfect wife and mother"), exaggerated concerns ("Oh, God! What will happen to the children?"), cold-blooded prejudgment ("*Buti nga iniwan mo!*") or expected *consuelo de bobo* ("*Buti nga iniwan ka niya*… Blessing in disguise '*yan!*"), it is back to reality.

> Somewhere in the history of sociable mankind, being a woman and having a failed marriage turned from curse to chic

Separated women can be classified into specific subspecies. A great number fall under VOA—Victims of Adultery. No need to elaborate on that. Statistics can easily prove that the greatest percentage of single-again women fall under this category. In a culture where machismo means the male citizenry *must* foist the power of their loins at any creature without outside plumbing, the wives cannot help but find themselves in a take-it-or-leave-it situation.

Battered wives

Then there are those who fall under the phylum MPB (Mrs. Punching Bag). The punches can come in the form of psychological and emotional battery—or worse, when the husband decides to practice boxing with his wife as a hesitant sparring partner. No need to elaborate on that either. They've written enough books and made too many TV movies about wives whose concept of self-esteem is to have a black eye instead of eye shadow or equate loving with a broken nose.

And there are the BTDs (Bored to Death): although still quite few in number in a culture where stupidity is mistaken for martyrdom—and martyrdom is equated with a reserved seat in paradise. BTDs are the wives with balls who end up ball-busters. They have enough courage to leave their husbands simply because they are bored with them or with their crimes and misdemeanors. The escape latch leads to a thorny path because public sympathy is not accessible to women who openly admit or manifest through their decisions that they have made the fatal mistake of marrying a horny nincompoop and now they are going to make up for lost time.

Besides, the getaway for the BTDs includes a variety of exciting yet sinful options—like running off with your dance or gym instructor or pursuing a career in interior design or nuclear science. Some even go so far as escaping to some faraway land where no memory of frustrating years can diminish your hopes for a reincarnation in the present lifetime.

Survivor kids

Okay, so what about the poor kids? They'll survive. There is no assurance that they will not grow up to be as screwed up or even more damaged than their parents because of the split up, but then, tough luck. For the ever-lamenting *abandonada*, this even gives her the convenient excuse to wash all the blame from her tired maternal hands. When the children happen to evolve from mini-monsters to full-fledged serial killers, there is always the absentee father to point that ever-accusing finger. Yet when the kids grow up to be one of the few remaining assets of the local citizenry, Single Parent Mama gets all the credit for her strength of character, wisdom of ways and genius of child-rearing.

That's the setback of every man who decides to call it quits with his wife. He will have to answer for every failure in the life pattern of his kids—even if it was the missus who really made a mess out of their blissful *bahay-bahayan*. Ha! And besides, do you honestly think a woman will let a man get away with a failed marriage and let him live a fairy-tale life? Fat chance! Dear Daddy may have landed on the lap of not a necessarily younger or prettier mistress, but the scorned wife will resort to all available tactics to make life socially miserable for him and especially the other *her*.

Well, yes, there are some who will not resort to squid tactics to get even with the seemingly happier mister. These are the exceptional few who resort to renewed spirituality. This is a beautiful alternative—a search for some assurance that God is on their side. So instead of indulging in a smear campaign against hateful man and more hateful other woman, they end up convulsing on the floor speaking in tongues and announcing to everyone that their trauma is actually part of a Divine Plan.

But it is mostly the VOAs who will start a full multimedia campaign against the husbands, emphasizing all the possible dimensions of their monstrosity while highlighting the nobility of their tragedy.

Every imaginable human being who shall come into contact with the VOA in her vulnerable state will be given a PowerPoint presentation of how she was treated so badly, usually ending up with the same conclusion: the man is a rectum personified. The more sophisticated will dish out the details with such scathing splendor while the more emotional ones will go into three-minute explosions of tears with more impact than all of the Judy Ann Santos soap operas combined.

What can possibly follow is the most graphic description of the most hated other woman. In a further attempt to gain public sympathy, VOAs will define or describe the *babaeng ipinagpalit ako* as a mutation of Medusa and the Whore of Babylon. There is always something mythic about the quality of the *kabit* as if it they were actually the ninth plague of Egypt. Regardless of who they really are, in the eyes of the abandoned wife—all *kabits* are Lucifer—cloned and feminized. Ho-hum.

Worse, even as the VOA sputters red hot lava against husband and his newly found significant other, there is always that tendency to whisper, "One day, he will regain his senses and realize how much hurt he has inflicted on his family." Translation: "*Babalik ka rin, hayop ka*!" Usually, friends will nod in sympathy even if the subtext of the bobbing heads is actually a very controlled desire to scream, "*Gaga*!"

Old hat

The sad fact is that—regardless of who is doing the narrating—there is always no freshness in this sort of situation. Carol Varga and Zeny Zabala are still active in show business, and this genre of narratives has already been done to death. You have heard the same story before.

Somehow a certain degree of patience or love for a friend is needed to control one's self from getting a newspaper, rolling it and whacking it on the head of a sobbing female just to tell her, "Go get a life, okay? So he left you… now what?" That wouldn't really be… uh, nice.

The most unforgivable case is the last of the subspecies: the SSS (Secretly Separated Spouse). They are the wives who go about their daily lives pretending their domestic life is straight from the Lifestyle Channel. They give the impression to everyone that they have such a beautiful, meaningful and fulfilling existence that they need nothing more from the heavens above. These women talk about motherhood, drool over their seemingly perfect children, give sweet anecdotes about their husbands—and *boink* some other guy. The SSS live for the façade, the public image, if only to hide the awful fact that their marriages are shams, and that they are doing this whole *commedia dell'arte* for the sake of the children.

Here we go again. The children. Gimme a break.

The fact that everybody knows the SSS is having an affair with another man while talking about the sanctity of marriage and even the godliness of morality is the saddest form of comedy. It also provides the best argument for bringing back stoning to death in a public square as an alternative form of capital punishment. And in this society of ours, we are certainly going to need a hell of a lot of rocks.

Jose Javier Reyes

Here, you can fill your bag with great bargains, mid-priced items, and signature apparel.
(And still have enough left for a filling meal.)
AYALA CENTER
GLORIETTA · GREENBELT
ALABANG TOWN
AYALA CENTER
CEBU
Ayala Malls. Because you deserve more!

₱20 Baon Buddies
5 Munchkins and regular Coke

You can give Dad flowers, too

By Tita V. Giron
Photos by Arthur dela Rosa

CHAMPAGNE basket has gerberas, ornamental pineapples, cigar heliconias and coconut flowers.

ARRANGING flowers with masculine appeal for Father's Day is a big challenge to many local florists who are used to preparing bouquets with masses of flowers and leaves for women.

Fleur Essence is one of the few shops in town that can, at short notice, create special floral designs, including arrangements with a more masculine tone. Its florists prepared several Father's Day specials for this section to demonstrate their expertise.

Cultural Center of the Philippines president Armita B. Rufino, who owns Fleur Essence, decked her home with these bouquets that were obviously inspired by the man of the house, Antonio Rufino.

"The materials we used made a lot of difference. We intentionally did not use roses because you usually think of women when you see roses," explained Mita. For a more masculine effect, she selected unique cigar heliconia flowers for the champagne basket arrangement.

"Instead of champagne, you can put wine or other bottles of your choice in the floral basket and surround it with tough leaves, ornamental pineapple, anthurium, hydrangea and gerbera," she suggested. "We got leaves from the garden

YOU/p.H2

Comfort in every box.

Available at: Makati, Cubao, Tower, Harrison Plaza, Ayala Center Cebu
Dexter Glorietta 2 Dexter Robinsons Place Manila

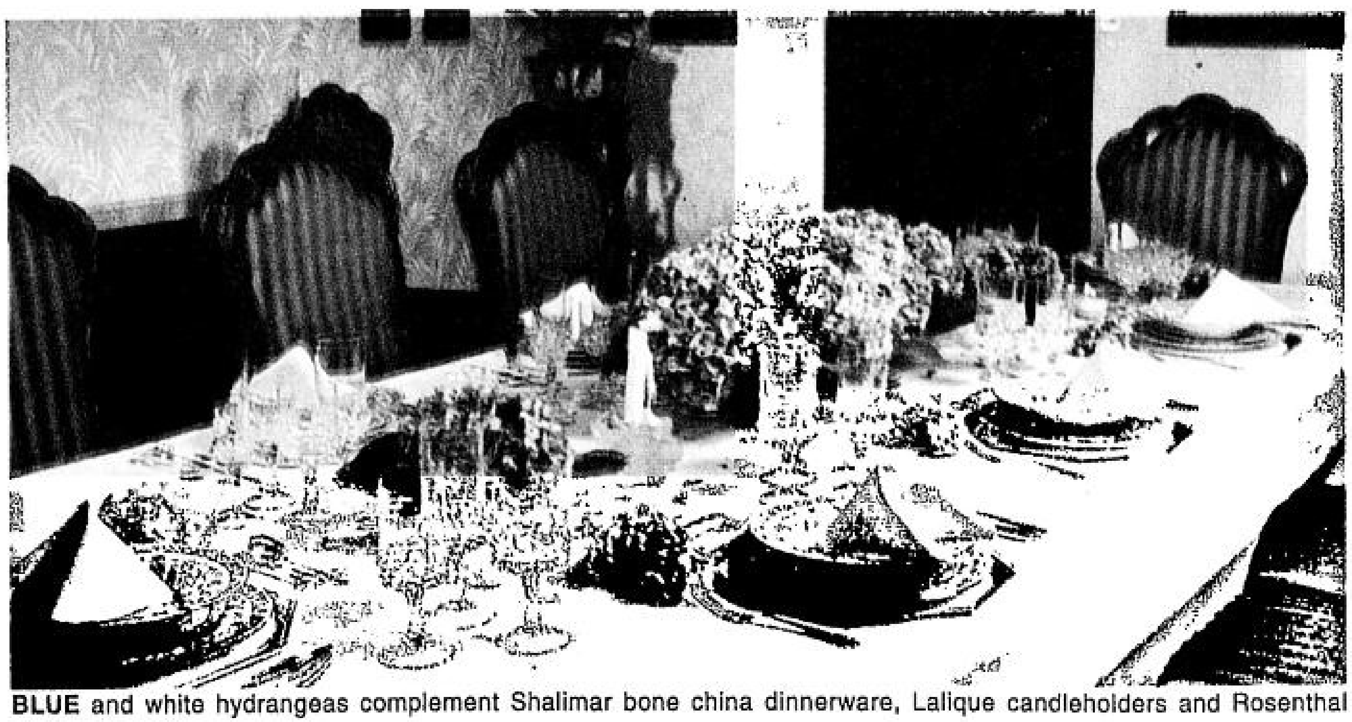
Dexter USA

BE A SHOE-IN WITH Dexter

Comfort comes with every box of Dexter shoes. But did you know that you can now win an instant prize, too?!

All you have to do is "buy Dexter and you're a shoe-in to win an instant prize." All prizes bear the Dexter brand, such as: watches, caps, mugs, coasters, and post-it notes. Entitled, "Luck in every box," this in-store promotion goes on from June 1-30, 2001.

FESTIVAL SUPERMALL
FILINVEST ALABANG
TRIPLE WEEKEND
SALE!
UP TO 50% OFF!
ON SELECTED ITEMS AT PARTICIPATING STORES
JUNE 1-3
8-10 & 15-17
www.festivalsupermall.com
Call Customer Service at
to find out more about the great deals you can find at the Festival!



BLUE and white hydrangeas complement Shalimar bone china dinnerware, Lalique candleholders and Rosenthal wineglasses.

VASE of carnations, gerberas and anthuriums beside handblown glass birds from Venice

You can give Dad flowers, too

(From page H1)

and used the interesting buds of coconut for an unusual accent."

For a touch of home, Mita picked leaves from her garden philodendron and a rare variety of holly plant.

She chose clusters of giant hydrangea flowers to match the set of classic blue and white chinaware, pieces from her famous collection of dinnerware, as dining table centerpiece. The Shalimar bone china was from the house of Minton established 1793 in England while the sterling silverware was Oneida. Wineglasses were Rosenthal and the crystal candleholders were from her Lalique collection.

UNUSUAL combination of green anthuriums, orange bromeliads and yellow Mickey Mouse fruits

SCENTED casablanca liliums, beargrass and curly willow

CIGAR heliconias, ornamental pineapples and gerberas

She sprinkled flowerets of blue and white hydrangeas on the all-white tablecloth that left touches of color when the massive floral centerpiece was moved to the side table to give way to the dinner course.

"Hydrangea flowers will last on the vase for several days if the water is changed every day," Mita noted. She said she bought hydrangeas from the King Louis flower farm in Baguio.

Several flower arrangements graced the verandah of the Rufino home. One was placed in the center of an antique altar table from Balayan, Batangas. What looked like a terra-cotta vase was actually fiberglass in earth color. It contained an assortment of ornamental pineapple, cigar heliconia, papyrus leaves and a towering branch of podocarpus.

Another colorful bouquet topped a bare wooden pedestal in one corner of the porch. It is hard to miss the combination of orange bromeliad, green anthuriums, green and orange Mickey Mouse fruits, papyrus and philodendron. "If they were available, I would have used white and blue birds-of-paradise and cymbidiums. They evoke a masculine effect," she explained.

"I prefer to use locally grown materials instead of imported flowers and foliage unless the customer requires them. I hope other florists will patronize local materials to help Filipino growers. There is enough production to support the floral industry." Mita also recommended the Dangwa flower center in Sampaloc as source of locally grown products.

Her other sources are Puentespina Waling in Davao and flower farms in Lucban, Laguna and Batangas.

Father's Day is on June 17. Call Fleur Essence at 817-3816 and 893-4811.

cinderella SALE

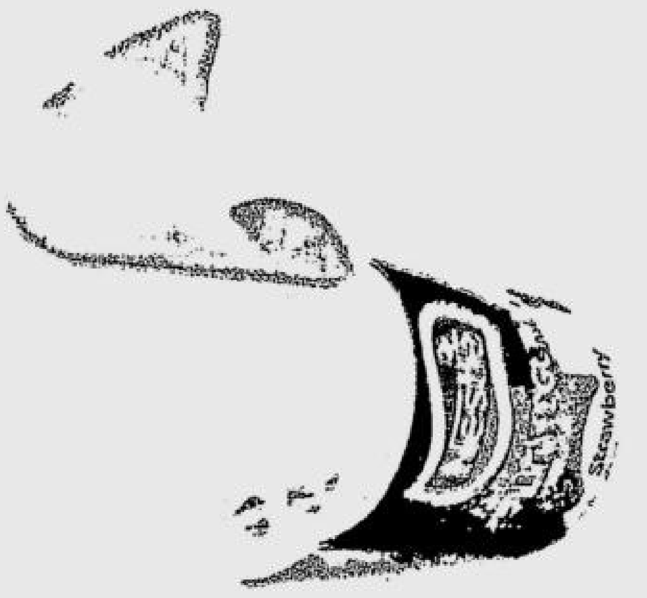
Cinderella's biggest sale ever! Hurry! **Big savings begin June 15, 2001.**.Up to 70% off on selected items.

Participating Cinderella Outlets: AliMall, Alabang Town Center, Festival Mall, Glorietta 3, Gotesco Grand Central, Greenbelt, Harrison Plaza, Robinsons Galleria, Robinsons Ermita, SM Fairview, SM Manila, SM Megamall, SM North Edsa, SM Southmall, SM Sta. Mesa, Sta. Lucia East Grand Mall.

Promo period: June 15 to July 15, 2001

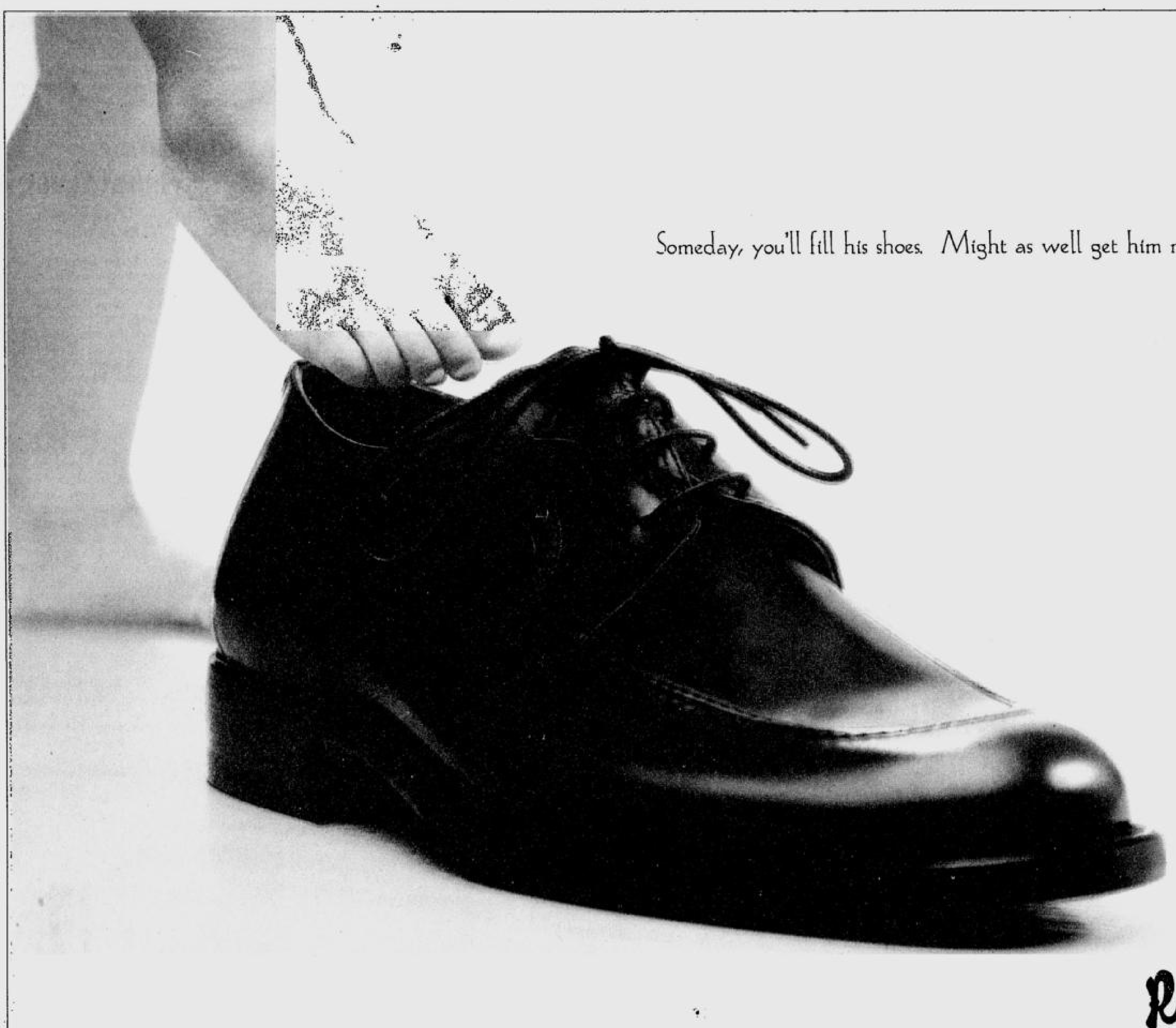
Per DTI-NCR Permit No. 1698, Series of 2001.

THE ADVERTISING AGENCY PROMISED
A PRINT AD SHOWING OUR HEALTHY, DELICIOUS YOGURT IN ALL ITS GLORY.
BUT WE WERE TOLD THIS IS ALL THAT IS LEFT.



For more info, visit www.yogurt.com.ph

Nestlé Yogurt is irresistibly creamy and delicious. But get this -- it also contains all the goodness of milk, fruit and live microorganisms for good health.



Someday, you'll fill his shoes. Might as well get him nice ones.

Rustan's

The widest selection of shoe styles and sizes for Dad on his special day. Only at the Rustan's Men's Department.

Aérosoles • Bostonian • Cole Haan • Fratelli Rossetti • Grisport • Joop • Lacal • Luca Bossi • Mauro di Cecco • Michel • Minnetonka
Monte Mario • Oleg Cassini • Pertini • Ponte Vecchio • Rizzo • Sensi • Sledgers • Speedy Duck • Stokton • Superga • Triver Flight

Low-key observance of World Environment Day

SEEING GREEN

Doris Gaskell Nuyda

WORLD Environment Day, June 5, came and went without much fanfare. The years past were more celebratory. But the comparatively low-key observance this year (overtaken by more immediate problems in the country, like the hostage-taking and fighting in Basilan and the recently concluded elections), does not, by any means, indicate that people have lost interest in the environment.

Not at all. This year, environmental groups, particularly the Heritage Conservation Society (HCS) headed by Toti Villalon, decided to celebrate in a more "quiet" fashion. It focused on the theme "Save Green Spaces in Manila" with a picnic of music, good food and recollections of those who enjoyed those green spaces in the past. The picnic was held at the Arroceros Forest Park, where the old Department of Education building used to stand, and where a new city project, the City Colleges of Manila, will soon rise if city officials remain nonenvironmental-minded.

The HCS considers the Arroceros Park and its neighboring historical landmarks an endangered zone, and hope the few other Manila parks still in existence will not suffer the same fate.

For some city officials, the primary objective is to make money. This is understandable. But then it seems that having open, green spaces to relieve the city of smoke and smog is only a secondary consideration or perhaps not a consideration at all. One recalls a plan that would have turned a portion of the Manila Zoo on Adriatico Street in Manila into shopping stalls. Thankfully, it was opposed and discontinued. The proponents apparently realized that the zoo itself had such limited space that to add another non-zoo feature would defeat the purpose of the zoo.

The HCS is hoping that similar enlightenment would sway the City Colleges plan, which is to build the institution at the former Mehan Gardens site, on the other side of the Arroceros Park. It will stand between the Metropolitan Theater, another endangered building, and the Manila City Hall. An activity of the picnic was to gather a million signatures pledging support to restore the green belt area surrounding the Manila Post Office and Metropolitan Theater.

There was much said that day, reflective of how much needs to be done. But two persons who have long been involved in uphill environmental battles said it best.

A passion

Amelita M. Ramos, former First Lady, chair, Clean & Green Foundation Inc.: "Environmentalism is not only a science. It is, above all, a passion. Environmentalism starts as a deep emotion that arises from one's soul when it sees nature suffering from mankind's abuse and neglect. And then it becomes a raging enthusiasm to somehow make things better, no matter what seemingly insurmountable odds may come.

"True environmentalist are not those who have the regimental knowledge of natural science. Genuine lovers of nature are those who feel strongly for the preservation of the pristine state of the environment. They do not only think; they feel and then they act."

Bong Socco, project director, Piso Para Sa Pasig: "Environment issues are like TV advertisements, those 30-second types that shock you and get your attention. After being saturated with such, people become complacent and overwhelmed and accept the facts as part of daily living. To be at par with a myriad issues and problems that present themselves to the world, we constantly need to partake of celebrations like World Environment Day, Earth Day, World Ecology Day, Arbor Day, World Clean-up Day and the like, to constantly remind us of small victories and milestones that we have achieved, so as to entice us to do more. It is one tough job and somebody must do it! Little victories count a lot."

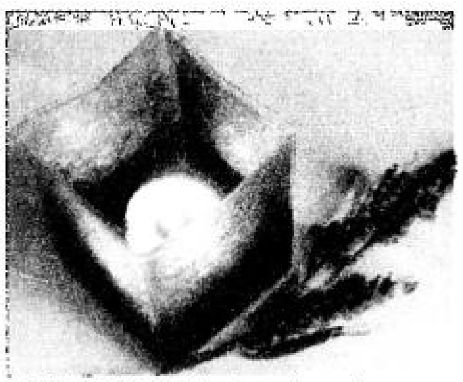
GUIDUCCI
ICE SKATING RINK
KAT
21.50
HERSHEY'S KISSES PLAIN 2's
HERSHEY'S MILK CHOCO
TREAT YOUR SUPERMAN AT SM
SUPERMALLS
FATHER'S DAY
JUNE 17, 2001
In cooperation with
PLDT
PLDT tXt 135
THE CITY • CENTERPOINT • MEGAMALL • CITY CEBU • SOUTHMALL • CITY BACOOR • CITY FAIRVIEW • CITY ILOILO • CITY MANILA • CITY PAMPANGA • SUPERCENTER SUCAT

LET THERE BE LIGHT! These blue-green fiberglass pieces can be used as pots, vases and candleholders.

Fiberglass act

TECHNOLOGY—and lots of creativity—have transformed functional fiberglass into elegant home accent pieces.

The Marietas collection at Our Home reinvents fiberglass to showcase both its beauty and its strength. These include lovely, heat-resistant candleholders illuminate a room and create ambience. Vases lend a beautiful backdrop to flowers. Boxes serve candies and favors. Delicately crafted bowls hold flowers and food. Some pieces are delicately shaped and embellished with *capiz* shells and fossilized leaves. The Marietas collection is available at Our Home, LG/L SM Megamall, Building A, Mandaluyong City.



LIGHT MOMENT. Translucent square-shaped fiberglass candleholder with top design

BOWL AND BEAUTIFUL. Marietas' beautifully art crafted fiberglass oval bowl with *capiz* accents in natural colors

Model home offers visual feast

INTERIOR designers Pinky Cruz and Sonia Santos offer a tactile and visual feast in their latest collaborative venture.

Calling the project "Lofty Dreams," Cruz said the interior design for model house Dorothy was for those who preferred an eclectic mix of international styles rather than just one central theme. Dorothy is one of seven new house models of Cascades, the third phase of Cottonwood Heights in Antipolo City.

The exterior design and colors of Dorothy, like the other house models, reflect the American countryside ambience of Cascades. But the interiors, Cruz said, were "a virtual melting pot of colors, from yellow to burgundy to violet, and it is for people who are bold enough to try it."

Cruz and Santos did the interiors of all the house models, using mostly indigenous materials. Even the international character of Dorothy was achieved by using locally made furniture with Indian or European-influenced design. Accessories, like the little knickknacks that typically adorn tabletops and shelves, were carefully picked and arranged to look like collections from travels to different countries.

Framed maps and posters add to the image that a seasoned traveler or a wandering gypsy or bohemian poet lives in the house.

Other house design motifs are Abby, cottage cool; Beverly, raw ambitions; Chelsea, Zen-sual sanctuary; Delaney, Tuscan retreat; Sigourney, white heat, and Undrey, Antipolo rest house.

Cascades, by Crown Asia is a 9-hectare residential estate that features 24-hour security services, complete water and electric utilities and recreation facilities such as Club Cologne with swimming pool, basketball and tennis courts and jogging trails for residents. Call 726-0083/84 or visit http://www.crownasia.com.ph.

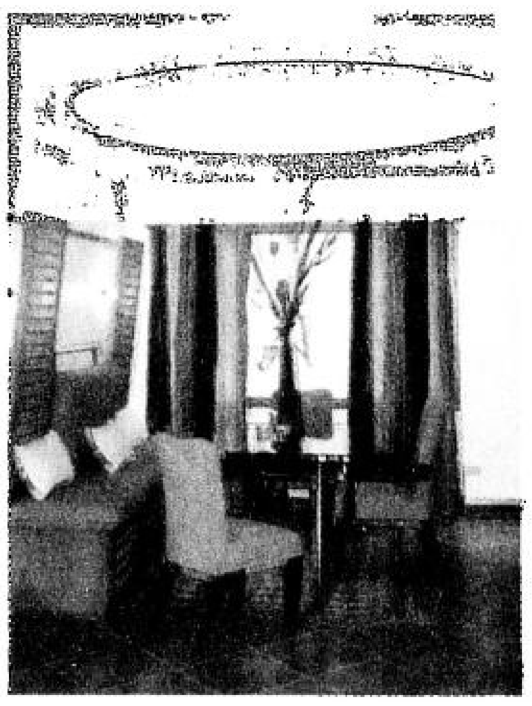
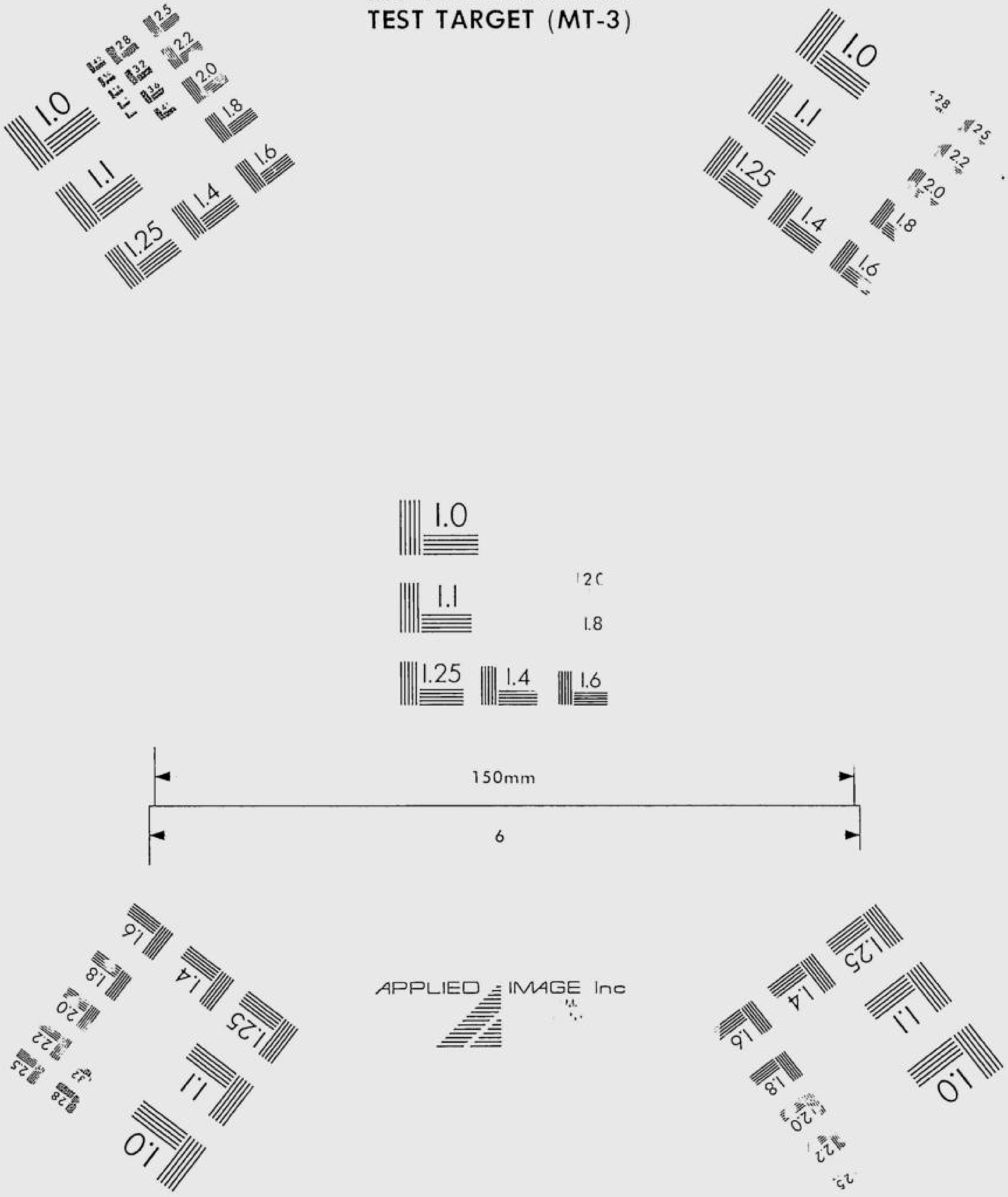
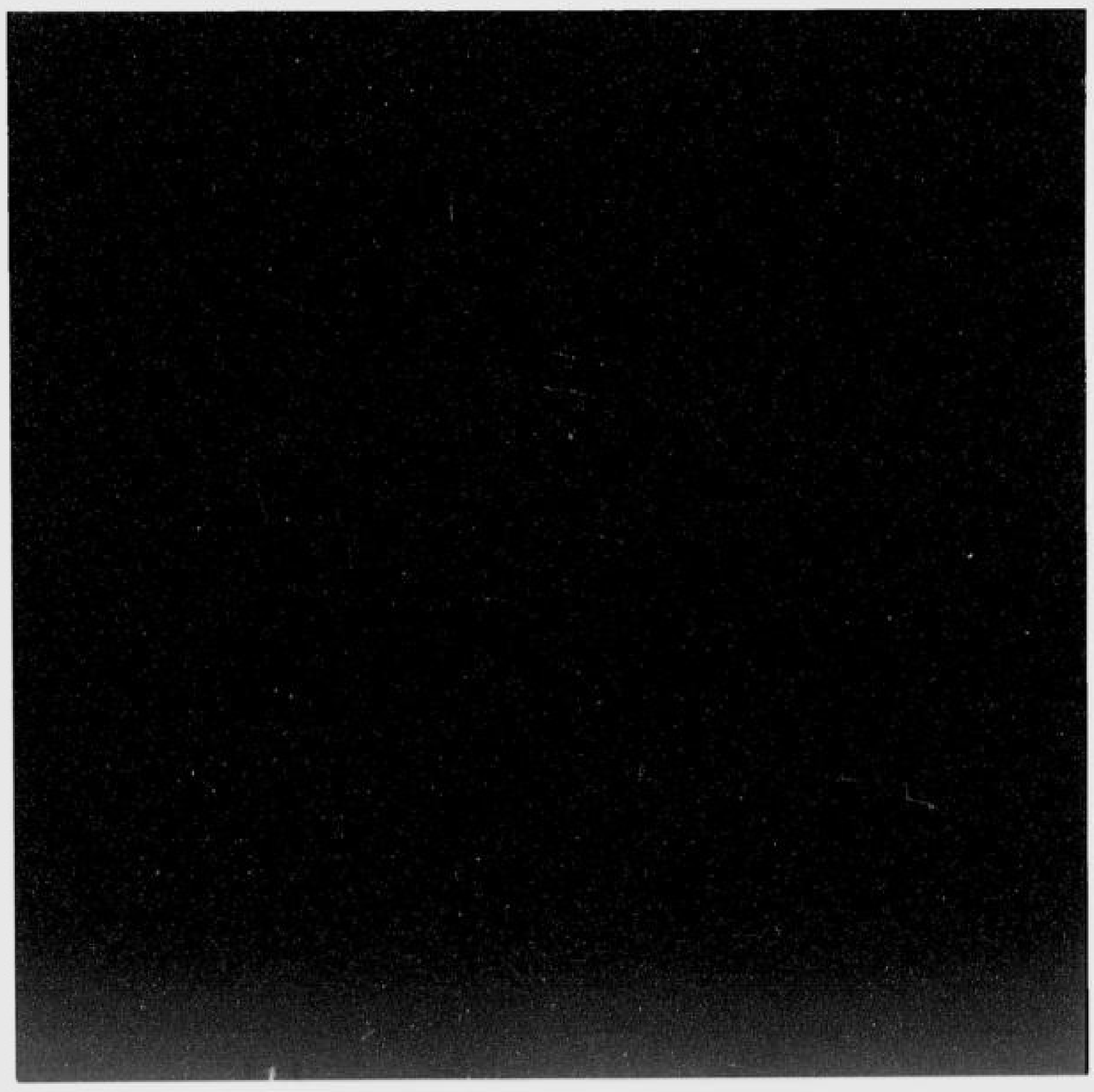


IMAGE EVALUATION
TEST TARGET (MT-3)


1.0
1.1
1.25
1.4
1.6
1.8
2.0
2.2
2.5
2.8
3.2
3.6
150mm
6

APPLIED IMAGE Inc



END

PLEASE REWIND

START

ATENEO DE MANILA UNIVERSITY
RIZAL LIBRARY

P.O. BOX 154, MANILA, PHILIPPINES

UNAUTHORIZED REPRODUCTION FORBIDDEN

FILMED: JULY 2001 REDUCTION: 19

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES

JUNE
16 THRU 30
2001

REEL 263

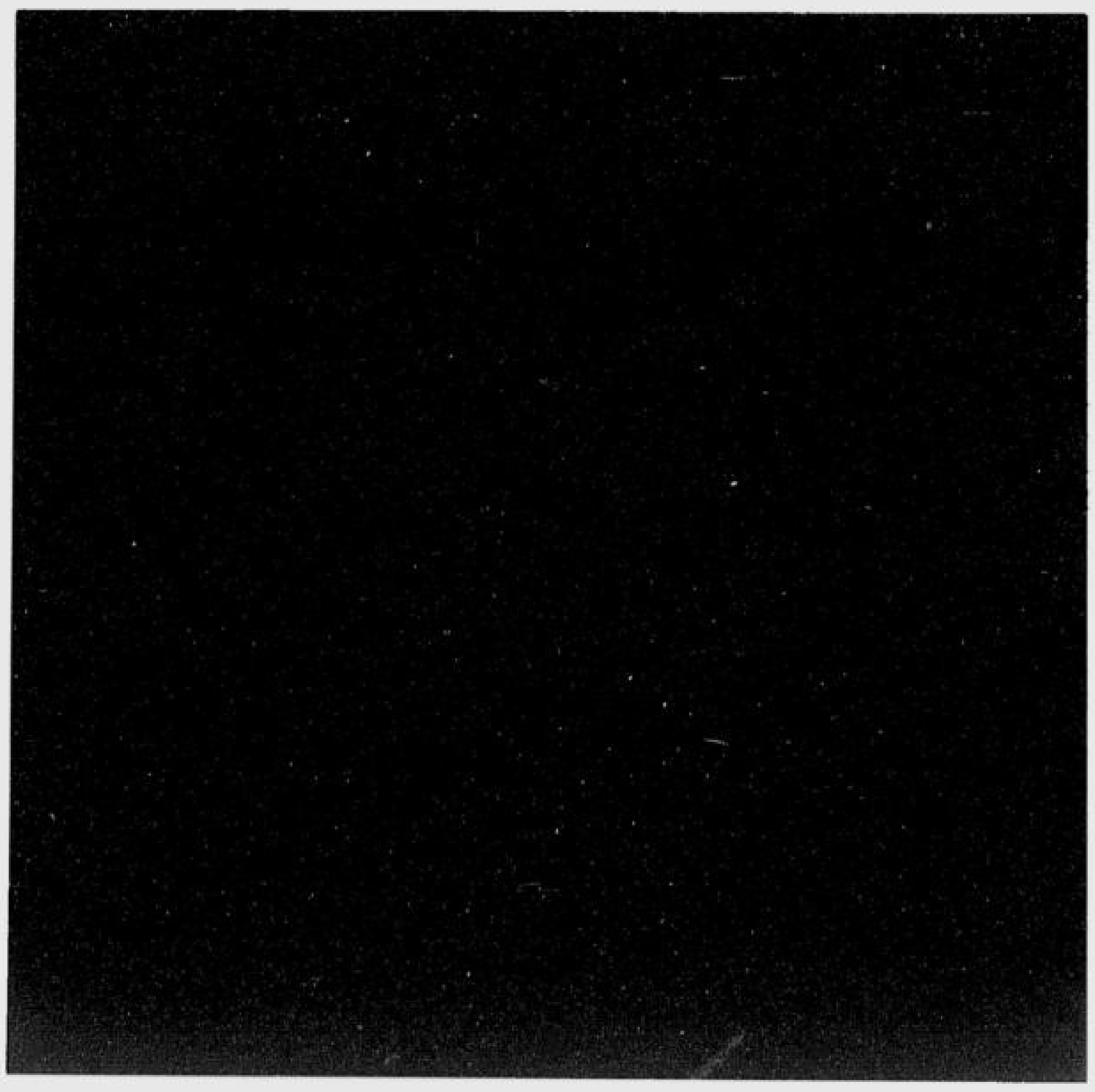
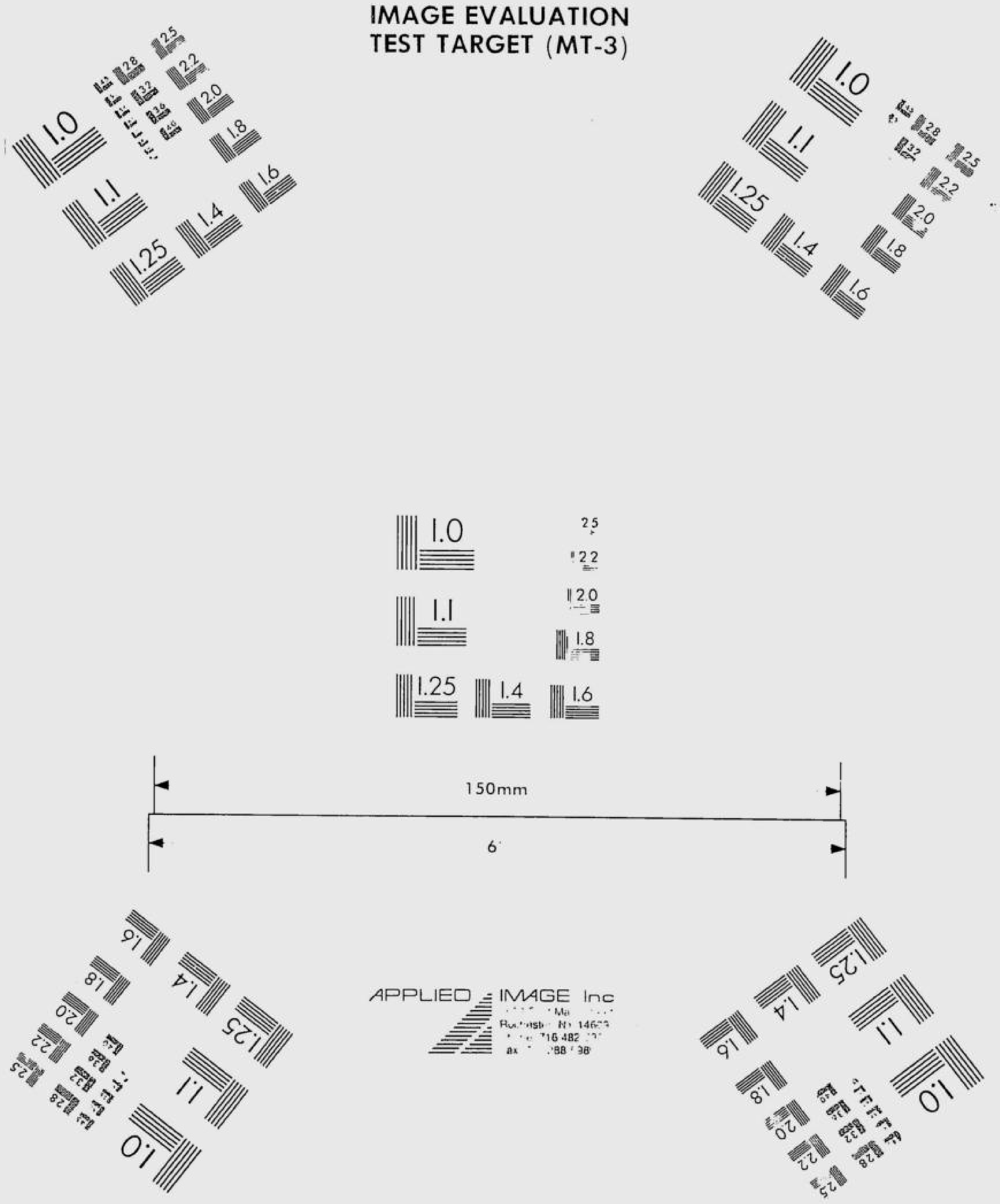


IMAGE EVALUATION
TEST TARGET (MT-3)


1.0
1.1
1.25
1.4
1.6
1.8
2.0
2.2
2.5
2.8
3.2
3.6
150mm
6"
APPLIED IMAGE Inc